



THE BOOKE OF Iob.

CHAP. I.

¹ The holinesse, riches, and religious care of Iob for his children. ⁶ Satan appearing before God, by calumnation obtaineth leaue to tempt Iob. ¹³ Vnderstanding of the losse of his goods and children, in his mourning hee blesteth God.



Here was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Iob, and that man was * perfect and vpright, and one that feared God, and eschewed euill.

² And there were borne vnto him seven sonnes, and three daughters.

³ His || substance also was seven thousand sheepe, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred shee asses, and a very great || household: so that this man was the greatest of all the † men of the East.

⁴ And his sonnes went and feasted in their houses, every one his day, and sent and called for their three sisters, to eate and to drinke with them.

⁵ And it was so, when the dayes of their feasting were gone about, that Iob sent and sanctified them, and rose vp early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: For Iob said. It may be that my sonnes haue sinned, and * cursed God in their hearts: Thus did Iob † continually.

⁶ Now there was a day, when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and † Satan came also † among them.

⁷ And the LORD said vnto Satan, whence comest thou: Then Satan answered the LORD, and

sayde, From going to and fro in the * earth, and from walking vp and downe in it.

⁸ And the LORD sayd vnto Satan, † Hast thou considered my seruant Iob, that there is none like him in the earth: a perfect and an vpright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill:

⁹ Then Satan answered † LORD, and sayd, Doeth Iob feare God for nought:

¹⁰ Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on euery side: thou hast blessed the worke of his hands, and his || substance is increased in the land.

¹¹ But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, † and he will curse thee to thy face.

¹² And the LORD said vnto Satan, Behold, all that hee hath is in thy † power, onely vpon himselfe put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

¹³ And there was a day, when his sonnes and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house:

¹⁴ And there came a messenger vnto Iob, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them,

¹⁵ And the Sabeans fell vpon them, and tooke them away: yea they haue slaine the seruants with the edge of the sword, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

¹⁶ While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, || The fire of God is fallen from heauen, and hath burnt vp the sheepe, and the seruants, and consumed them, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

¹⁷ While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Caldeans

* Chap. 2. 3.

|| Or, castell.

|| Or, husbandrie.

† Heb. sonnes of the East.

* 1. King. 21. 10, 13.
† Heb. all the dayes.

† Heb. the aduersarie.
† Heb. in the midst of them.

* 1. Pet. 5. 8.

† Heb. hast thou set thy heart on?

* Eccles. 5. 14. 1. Tim. 6. 7.

|| Or, cattell.

† Heb. if he curse thee not to thy face.

† Heb. hand.

|| Or, a great fire.

† Heb. raised.

† Heb. from side, &c.

|| Or, robe.

|| Or, attributed fully to God.

* Chap. 1. 7.

* Chap. 1. 1. & 8.

† Heb. so swallow him up.

Jobs patience. His Chap. ij. iij. wife tempteth him.

† Hebr. rushed.

deans made out three bands, and † fell vpon the camels, and haue caried them alway, yea, and slaine the seruants with the edge of the sword, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, & said, Thy sonnes, and thy daughters, were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house.

† Heb. from aside, &c.

19 And beholde, there came a great winde † from the wilderness, and smote the foure corners of the house, and it fell vpon the yong men, and they are dead, and I onely am escaped alone to tell thee.

|| Or, robe.

20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaued his head, and fell downe vpon the ground and worshipped,

* Eccles. 5. 14. Tim. 6. 7.

21 And said, * Naked came I out of my mothers wombe, and naked shall I returne thither: the LORD gaue, and the LORD hath taken away, blessed be the Name of the LORD.

|| Or, attributed folly to God.

22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

CHAP. II.

1 Satan appearing againe before God, obtaineth further leaue to tempt Iob. 7 He smiteth him with sore boiles. 9 Iob reproveth his wife, mouing him to curse God. 11 His three friends condole with him in silence.

A Gaine there was a day when the sonnes of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himselfe before the LORD.

* Chap. I. 7.

2 And the LORD said vnto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to & fro in the earth, and from walking vp and downe in it.

* Chap. I. ver. 1. & 8.

3 * And the LORD said vnto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth; a perfect and an vpright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill: and still hee holdeth fast his integritie, although thou mouedst mee against him, † to destroy him without cause.

† Hebr. to swallow him up.

4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skinne for skinne, yea all that a man hath, wil he giue for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6 And the LORD said vnto Satan, Behold, hee is in thine hand, || but saue his life. || Or, onely.

7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore biles, from the sole of his foote vnto his crowne.

8 And hee tooke him a potsherd to scrape himselfe withall; and hee sate downe among the ashes.

9 Then saide his wife vnto him, Dost thou still retaine thine integritie? Curse God, and die.

10 But he said vnto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh; What? shall wee receiue good at the hand of God, and shall wee not receiue euill? In all this did not Job sinne with his lippes.

11 Now when Jobs three friends heard of all this euill, that was come vpon him, they came euery one from his owne place: Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite; for they had made an appointment together to come to mourne with him, and to comfort him.

12 And when they lift vp their eyes afarre off, and knew him not, they lifted vp their voice, and wept; and they rent euery one his mantle, and sprinkled dust vpon their heades toward heauen.

13 So they sate downe with him vpon the ground seuen dayes, and seuen nights, and none spake a word vnto him; for they saw that his griefe was very great.

CHAP. III.

1 Iob curseth the day, and seruices of his birth. 13 The ease of death. 20 He complaineth of life, because of his anguish.

After this, opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Job † spake, and said, † Hebr. answered.

3 * Let the day perish, wherein I was borne, and the night in which it was said, There is a man-childe conceived. * Chap. 10. 18, 19. iere. 20. 14.

4 Let that day bee darkenesse, let not God regard it from aboue, neither let the light shine vpon it.

|| Or, chal-
lenge it.
|| Or, let
them terrifie
it, as those
who haue
a bitter day.
|| Or, let it
not reioyce
among the
dayes.

|| Or, Lenia-
chan.

† Heb. the
eye lids of
the morning.

† Heb. wear-
ied in
strength.

† Heb. wait.

* Chap. 19. 8

† Heb. before
my meat.

† Heb. I fea-
red a feare,
and it came
upon me.

5 Let darkenes and the shadowe of death || staine it, let a cloud dwell vpon it, || let the blacknes of the day terrifie it.

6 As for that night, let darkenesse seaze vpon it, || let it not be ioyned vnto the dayes of the yeere, let it not come in- to the number of the moneths.

7 Loe, let that night be solitarie, let no ioyfull voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise vp || their mourning.

9 Let the starres of the twilight thereof be darke, let it looke for light, but haue none, neither let it see † the daw- ning of the day :

10 Because it shut not vp the doores of my mothers wombe, nor hid sorrowe from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the wombe: why did I not giue vp the ghost when I came out of the bellie :

12 Why did the knees preuent mee : or why the breasts, that I should sucke :

13 For now should I haue lien still and beene quiet, I should haue slept; then had I bene at rest,

14 With Kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselves,

15 Or with Princes that had golde, who filled their houses with siluer :

16 Or as an hidden vntimely birth, I had not bene; as infants which neuer saw light.

17 There the wicked cease from trou- bling : and there the † wearie be at rest.

18 There the prisoners rest together, they heare not the voice of the oppres- sor.

19 The small and great are there, and the seruant is free from his master.

20 Wherefore is light giuen to him that is in misery, and life vnto the bitter in soule :

21 Which † long for death, but it com- meth not, and dig for it more then for hid treasures :

22 Which reioice exceedingly, and are glad when they can finde the graue :

23 Why is light giuen to a man, whose way is hid, * and whom God hath hed- ged in :

24 For my sighing commeth † before I eate, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25 For † the thing which I greatly feared is come vpon me, and that which I was afraid of, is come vnto me.

26 I was not in safetie, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet : yet trou- ble came.

CHAP. IIII.

1. Eliphaz reprooueth Iob for want of religion.

7 He teacheth Gods iudgements to bee not for the righteous, but for the wicked. 12 His fearefull vision, to humble the excellencie of Creatures before God.

When Eliphaz the Tema- nite answered, and said,

2 If we assay † to com- mune with thee, wilt thou be grieved : But † who can withhold himselfe from spea- king :

3 Beholde, Thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weake hands.

4 Thy words haue vpholden him that was falling, and thou hast streng- thened † the feeble knees.

5 But now it is come vpon thee, and thou faintest, it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 Is not this thy feare, thy confidence; the vprightnesse of thy wayes and thy hope :

7 Remember, I pray thee, who euer perished, being innocent : or where were the righteous cut off :

8 * Euen as I haue seene, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickednesse, reape the same.

9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his * nostrils are they consumed.

10 The roaring of the Lyon, and the voice of the fierce Lyon, and the teeth of the yong Lyons are broken.

11 The old Lyon perisheth for lacke of pray, and the stont Lyons whelpes are scattered abroad.

12 Nowe a thing was † secretly brought to me, and mine eare receiued a litle thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth on men :

14 Feare † came vpon me, and trem- bling, which made † all my bones to shake.

15 Then a spirit passed before my face : the haire of my flesh stood vp.

16 It stood still, but I could not dis- cerne the forme thereof : an image was before mine eyes, || there was silence, and I heard a voyce, saying,

17 Shall

* Chap. 15.
15. 2. pet.

2. 4.
|| Or, nor in
his Angels,
in whom
he put light.
* 2. Cor. 5. 1.

† Heb. bea-
ten in pieces.

† Heb. a
word.

† Heb. who
can refrain
from words?

† Heb. the
bowing
knees.

|| Or, looke.

|| Or, indig-
nation.

* Prou. 22. 8
ofc 10. 13.

* That is by
his anger. 44
Esa. 30. 33.

|| Or, iniquity.

|| Or, labour.

† Heb. the
fumes of the
burning
coale, lift
up his face.

* Cha. 9. 10.

psal. 72. 18.

rom. 11. 33.

† Heb. and
there is no
search.

† Heb. till
there be no
number.

† Heb. out-
places.

* Plal. 13. 6.

1 Sam. 2. 7.

Neh. 4. 15.

psal. 33. 10.

isa. 8. 10.
|| Or, cannot
performe a-
ny thing.
* 1. Cor. 3.
19.

The diuers ends of Chap.v.vj. godly and wicked.

17 Shall mortall man be more iust then God: shall a man bee more pure then his maker:

18 Behold, hee *put no trust in his seruants; || and his Angels hee charged with folly:

19 Holwe much lesse on them that dwell in *houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth.

20 They are † destroyed from morning to euening: they perish for euer, without any regarding it.

21 Doeth not their excellencie which is in them, goe away: they die, euen without wisdom.

CHAP. V.

1 The harme of inconsideration. 3 The ende of the wicked is misery. 6 God is to be regarded in affliction. 17 The happy ende of Gods correction.

G All now, if there be any that wil answere thee, and to which of the Saints wilt thou || turne:

2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and || enuy slayeth the silly one.

3 I haue seene the foolish taking roote: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.

4 His children are farre from safetie, and they are crushed in the gate, neither is there any to deliuer them.

5 Whose haruest the hungry eateth vp, and taketh it euen out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth vp their substance.

6 Although || affliction commeth not forth of the dust, neither doeth trouble spring out of the ground:

7 Yet man is borne vnto || trouble, as † the sparkes flie vpward.

8 I would seeke vnto God, and vnto God would I commit my cause:

9 * Which doth great things † & vnsearchable: marueilous things † without number.

10 Who giueth raine vpon the earth, and sendeth waters vpon the † fields:

11 * To set vp on high those that be low; that those which mourne, may be exalted to safetie.

12 * Hee disappointeth the deuices of the craftie, so that their hands || cannot performe their enterprise.

13 * He taketh the wise in their owne

craftinesse: and the counsell of the forward is caried headlong.

14 * They || meete with darkenesse in the day time, and grope in the noone day as in the night.

15 But he saueh the poore from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mightie.

16 * So the poore hath hope, and iniquitie stoppeth her mouth.

17 * Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty.

18 * For he maketh sore, and bindeth vp: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

19 * Hee shall deliuer thee in fire troubles, yea in seuen there shall no euill touch thee.

20 In famine he shall redeeme thee from death: and in warre from the † power of the sword.

21 Thou shalt be hidde || from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction, when it commeth.

22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

23 * For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

24 And thou shalt know that thy || tabernacle shall bee in peace; and thou shalt visite thy habitation, and shalt not || sinne.

25 Thou shalt know also that thy seede shall be || great, and thine offspring as the grasse of the earth.

26 Thou shalt come to thy graue in a full age, like as a shooke of corne † commeth in, in his season.

27 Loe this, wee haue searched it, so it is; heare it, and know thou it † for thy good.

CHAP. VI.

1 Iob sheweth that his complaints are not causelesse. 8 Hee wisheth for death, wherein he is assured of comfort. 14 He reprooueth his friends of vnkindnesse.

B Ut Iob answered, and sayd,

2 Oh that my griefe were thoroughly weighed, and my calamitie † layd in the balances together.

3 For now it would be heavier then the

* Deut. 28. 29. || Or, runne into.

* Psal. 107. 42.

* Pro. 3. 12. iames 1. 12. heb. 12. 5. apoc. 3. 9.

* Deut. 32. 39. 1. sam. 26. 1. isa. 30. 26. hof. 6. 1. * Psal. 91. 3.

† Heb. from the hands. || Or, when the tongue scourgeth.

* Hof. 2. 18.

|| Or, that peace is thy tabernacle. || Or, erre.

|| Or, much.

† Heb. ascendeth.

† Heb. for thy selfe.

† Heb. lifted vp.

|| That is,
I want words
to expresse
my grieve.
* Psal. 38. 2.

† Hebr. at
grasse.

† Hebr. my
expectation.

† He. brasen.

† Hebr. to
him that
melteth.

† Hebr. they
are cut off.
† Hebr. in
the heat
thereof.
† Hebr. ex-
tinguished.

|| Or, for
now ye are
like to them.
Hebr. to it.
† Hebr. Not.

the sand of the sea, therefore my words
are swallowed vp.

4 * For the arrowes of the Almighty
are within me, the poyson whereof
drinketh vp my spirit: the terrors of
God doe set themselves in aray against
mee.

5 Doeth the wilde asse bray † when
he hath grasse: or loweth the ore ouer
his fodder:

6 Can that which is vnflauery, bee
eaten without salt: or is there any taste
in the white of an egge:

7 The things that my soule refused
to touch, are as my sorrowfull meat.

8 O that I might haue my request!
and that God would graunt mee † the
thing that I long for!

9 Euen that it would please God to
destroy mee, that he would let loose his
hand, and cut me off.

10 Then should I yet haue comfort,
yea I would harden my selfe in sor-
row: let him not spare, for I haue not
concealed the words of the holy One.

11 What is my strength, that I should
hope: and what is mine ende, that I
should prolong my life:

12 Is my strength the strength of
stones: or is my flesh † of brasle:

13 Is not my helpe in me: and is wise-
dome driven quite from me:

14 † To him that is afflicted, pitie
should be shewed from his friend: But he
forsaketh the feare of the Almighty.

15 My brethren haue delt deceitfully
as a brooke, & as the streame of brookes
they passe away,

16 which are blackish by reason of
the yce, and wherein the snow is hid:

17 What time they were warme,
† they vanish: † when it is hot, they are
† consumed out of their place.

18 The pathes of their way are tur-
ned aside: they goe to nothing, and
perish.

19 The troupes of Tema looked, the
companies of Sheba waited for them.

20 They were confounded because
they had hoped: they came thither, and
were ashamed.

21 || For now ye are † nothing; ye see
my casting downe, and are afraid.

22 Did I say, Bring vnto mee: or
giue a reward for me of your substance:

23 Or deliuer me from the enemies
hand, or redeeme me from the hand of
the mighty:

24 Teach me, and I will hold my

tongue: and cause mee to vnderstand
wherein I haue erred.

25 How forcible are right wordes:
but what doeth your arguing reprove:

26 Doe ye imagine to reprove wordes,
and the speeches of one that is despe-
rate, which are as winde:

27 Yea, † ye ouerwhelme the father-
lesse, and you digge a pit for your friend.

28 Now therefore be content, looke
vpon mee, for it is † euident vnto you, if
I lie.

29 Returne, I pray you, let it not be
iniquitie: yea returne againe: my righ-
teousnesse || is in it.

30 Is there iniquitie in my tongue:
cannot † my taste discerne peruerse
things:

CHAP. VII.

1 Iob excuseth his desire of death. 12 He com-
plaineth of his owne restlesnesse, 17 and
Gods watchfulnesse.

Is there not || an appointed
time to man vpon earth:
are not his dayes also like
the dayes of an hireling:

2 As a seruant † ear-
nestly desireth the shadow, and as an
hireling looketh for the reward of his
worke:

3 So am I made to possesse mo-
neths of vanitie, and wearisome nights
are appointed to me.

4 When I lie downe, I say, when
shall I arise, and the † night be gone:
and I am full of tossings to and fro, vn-
to the dawning of the day.

5 My flesh is cloathed with wormes
and clods of dust, my skinne is broken,
and become loathsome.

6 * My dayes are swifter then a
weauers shuttle, and are spent with-
out hope.

7 O remember that my life is
winde: mine eye † shall no more || see
good.

8 The eye of him that hath seene
me, shall see mee no more: thine eyes are
vpon me, and I || am not.

9 As the cloud is consumed and va-
nisheth away: so he that goeth downe
to the graue, shall come vp no more.

10 Hee shall returne no more to his
house: neither shall his place know him
any more.

11 Therefore I will not refraine
my mouth, I will speake in the anguish
of

† Hebr. ye
cause vs to
vpon.

† Hebr. before
your face.

|| That is,
in this mat-
ter.

† Hebr. my
palate.

|| Or, a wo-
fare.

† Hebr. ge-
peth after.

† Hebr. the
evening be
measured.

* Iob 16. 22.
psal. 90. 6.
and 103. 11.
and 103. 15.
and 144. 4.
isa. 40. 6.
iam. 4. 14.

† Hebr. shall
not returne.

|| To see what
is to come.

|| That is, I
can live no
longer.

† Hebr. then
my bones.

* Psal. 8. 4.
and 144. 3.
hebr. 2. 6.

* Deu. 3. 2. 4.
1. chro. 19. 7.
dan. 9. 14.

† Hebr. in the
land of their
transgression
Chap. 22.
13.

of my spirit, I will complaine in the bitternesse of my soule.

12 Am I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch ouer me?

13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint:

14 Then thou skarest mee with dreames, and terrifiest me through visions.

15 So that my soule chooseth strangling: and death rather than my life.

16 I loath it, I would not liue alway: let me alone, for my dayes are vanitie.

17 *What is man, that thou shouldest magnifie him: and that thou shouldest set thine heart vpon him?

18 And that thou shouldest visite him euery morning, and trie him euery moment:

19 How long wilt thou not depart from me: nor let me alone till I swallow downe my spittle?

20 I haue sinned, what shall I doe vnto thee, O thou preseruer of men: why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to my selfe?

21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquitie: for now shall I sleepe in the dust, and thou shalt seeke me in the morning, but I shall not be.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Bildad sheweth Gods iustice, in dealing with men according to their workes. 8 He alledgeth antiquitie to proue the certaine destruction of the Hypocrite. 20 Hee applieth Gods iust dealing to Iob.

When answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
2 How long wilt thou speake these things: and how long shall the wordes of thy mouth be like a strong wind?

3 *Doth God peruert iudgement: or doth the Almighty peruert iustice?

4 If thy children haue sinned against him, and he haue cast them away for their transgression:

5 *If thou wouldest seeke vnto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty:

6 If thou wert pure and vpriight, surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

7 Though thy beginning was

small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

8 *For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thy selfe to the search of their fathers.

9 (For *We are but of yesterday, and know nothing, because our dayes vpon earth are a shadow.)

10 Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, & utter words out of their heart?

11 Can the rush growe by without myre: can the flag growe without water?

12 *Whylest it is yet in his greenesse, and not cut downe, it withereth before any other herbe.

13 So are the paths of all that forget God, and the *hypocrites hope shall perish:

14 whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be a spiders web.

15 He shall leane vpon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

16 He is greene before the sunne, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

17 His roots are wrapped about the heape, and seeth the place of stones.

18 If he destroy him from his place, then it shall denie him, saying, I haue not scene thee.

19 Beholde, this is the ioy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.

20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will hee helpe the euill doers:

21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with reioycing.

22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame, and the dwelling place of the wicked shall come to nought.

CHAP. IX.

1 Iob acknowledging Gods iustice, sheweth there is no contending with him. 22 Mans innocencie is not to be condemned by afflictions.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 I know it is so of a trueth: but howe should *man be iust || With God.

3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answere him one of a thousand.

4 He is wise in heart, and mightie in strength: who hath hardened himselfe against him, and hath prospered?

Z 3 3 5 which

* Deut. 4. 32.

* See chap. 7. 6. gen. 47. 9. 1. chron. 29. 15. psal. 144. 4. psal. 39. 14. † Heb. not.

* Psal. 129. 6. ier. 17. 6.

* Iob. 11. 20. and 18. 14. psal. 112. 10. prou. 10. 28. † Heb. spiders house.

† Heb. take the vngodly by the hand.

† Heb. shouting for ioy.

† Heb. shall not be.

* Psal. 143.

2. || Or, before God.

† Heb. then my bones.

* Psal. 8. 4. and 144. 3. heb. 2. 6.

* Deu. 32. 4. 1. chro. 19. 7. dan. 9. 14.

† Heb. in the hand of their transgression * Chap. 22. 23.

5 Which remoueth the mountains, and they know not: Which ouerturneth them in his anger:

6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, & the pillars thereof tremble:

7 Which commanndeth the Sunne, and it riseth not: and sealeth vp the starres.

* Gen. 1. 6.

† Hebr. heights.

* Amos 5. 8.

iob. 38. 31, &c.

† Hebr. Ash, Cefil, and Cimab.

* See Chap. 5. 9.

8 * Which alone spreadeth out the heauens, and treadeth vpon the waues of the Sea.

9 * Which maketh † Arcturus, Orion and Pleiades, and the chambers of the South.

10 * Which doeth great things past finding out, yea and wonders without number.

11 Loe, hee goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceiue him not.

* Isai. 45. 9.

iere. 18. 6.

rom 9. 20.

† Hebr. who can turne him away?

† Hebr. helpers of pride, or strength.

12 * Behold, he taketh away, † who can hinder him: who will say vnto him, what doest thou?

13 If God will not withdraw his anger, the † proud helpers doe stoupe vnder him.

14 How much lesse shall I answere him, and choose out my words to reason with him:

15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answere, but I would make supplication to my Iudge.

16 If I had called, and he had answered me, yet would I not beleue that he had hearkened vnto my voice:

17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.

18 Hee will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness.

19 If I speake of strength, loe, hee is strong: and if of iudgement, who shall set me a time to pleade?

20 If I iustifie my selfe, mine owne mouth shall condemne me: If I say, I am perfect, it shall also prooue me peruerse.

21 Though I were perfect, yet would I not know my soule: I would despise my life.

22 This is one thing, therefore I said it; he destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.

23 If the scourge slay suddenly, hee will laugh at the triall of the innocent.

24 The earth is giuen into the hand of the wicked: he couereth the faces of the Iudges thereof; if not, where, and who is hee?

25 Now my dayes are swifter then a poste: they flee away, they see no good.

26 They are passed away as the † swift ships: as the Eagle that hasteth to the pray.

† Hebr. ships of desire. Or, ships of Ebe.

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leaue off my heauinesse, and comfort my selfe.

28 I am afraid of all my sorrowes, I know that thou wilt not holde me innocent.

29 If I be wicked, why then labour I in vaine?

30 If I wash my selfe with snow water, and make my handes neuer so cleane:

31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine owne clothes shall abhorre me.

Or, make me to be abhorred.

32 For he is not a man as I am, that I should answere him, and we should come together in iudgement.

33 Neither is there † any dayes-man betwixt vs, that might lay his hand vpon vs both.

† Hebr. one that should argue. Or, Vmpire.

34 Let him take his rodde away from me, & let not his feare terrifie me:

35 Then would I speake, and not feare him; † but it is not so with me.

† Hebr. but I am not so with my selfe.

CHAP. X.

1 Iob, taking libertie of complaint, expostulateth with God about his afflictions. 18 Hee complaineth of life, and craueth a little ease before death.

My soule is weary of my life, I will leaue my complaint vpon my selfe; I will speake in the bitterness of my soule.

Or, cut off while I live.

2 I will say vnto God, Doe not condemne mee; shewe me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 Is it good vnto thee, that thou shouldest oppresse: that thou shouldest despise † the worke of thine handes: and shine vpon the counsell of the wicked?

† Hebr. the labour of thine handes.

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh: or seest thou as man seeth?

5 Are thy dayes as the dayes of man: are thy yeeres as mans dayes,

6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquitie, and searchest after my sinne?

7 † Thou knowest that I am not wicked, and there is none that can deliuer out of thine hand.

† Hebr. It is vpon thy knowledge. † Hebr. seek paines about me.

8 Thine handes † haue made me and fashi-

* Psal. 139. 4. and 14. 15.

† Hebr. hedge.

† That is, thy plagues.

* Chap. 3. 11.

* See Chap. 8. 9. and 7. 6.

† Hebr. a man of lips.

fashioned me together round about: yet thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay, and wilt thou bring me into dust againe?

* Psal. 139.
4. and 14.
15.

10 *Hast thou not powdered me out as milke, and cruddled me like cheese?

† Heb. bedged.
ed.

11 Thou hast cloathed me with skin and flesh, and hast † fenced me with bones and sinewes.

12 Thou hast granted me life and fauour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 And these things hast thou hid in thine heart; I know that this is with thee.

14 If I sinne, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquite me from mine iniquitie.

15 If I be wicked, woe vnto me; and if I be righteous, yet will I not lift vp my head: I am full of confusion, therefore see thou mine affliction:

16 For it increaseth: thou huntest me as a fierce Lion: and againe thou shewest thy selfe marueilous vpon me.

|| That is,
thy plagues.

17 Thou renuest thy || witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation vpon me; Changes and warre are against me.

* Chap. 3.
11.

18 *Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the wombe? Oh that I had giuen by the ghost, and no eye had seene me!

19 I should haue bene as though I had not bene, I should haue bene caried from the wombe to the graue.

* See Chap.
8. 9. and 7.
6.

20 *Are not my dayes few? cease then, and let me alone that I may take comfort a litle,

21 Before I goe whence I shall not returne, euen to the land of darknes and the shadow of death,

22 A land of darknes, as darknes it selfe, and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkenes.

CHAP. XI.

1 Zophar reprooueth Iob, for iustifying himselfe. 5 Gods wisdom is vnsearchable. 13 The assured blessing of repentance.

Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,
2 Should not the multitude of words be answered: and should a man full of talke be iustified?

† Heb. a
man of lips.

3 Should thy || lies make men hold their peace: and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?

|| Or, denisies.

4 For thou hast said, My doctrine is pure, and I am cleane in thine eyes.

5 But, O that God would speake, and open his lippes against thee,

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that they are double to that which is: know therefore that God exacteth of thee lesse then thine iniquitie deserueth.

7 Canst thou by searching finde out God: canst thou finde out the Almighty vnto perfection?

8 It is † as high as heauen, what canst thou doe: deeper then hell, what canst thou know?

† Heb. the
heights of
heauen.

9 The measure therof is longer then the earth, and broader then the sea.

10 If he || cut off, and shut vp, or gather together, then † who can hinder him?

|| Or, make a
change.
† Heb. who
can turne
him away?

11 For, he knoweth vaine men: hee seeth wickednesse also, will he not then consider it?

12 For † vaine man would be wise; though man be borne like a wilde asses colt.

† Heb.
emptie.

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him:

14 If iniquitie be in thine hand, put it farre away, and let not wickednes dwell in thy tabernacles.

15 For then shalt thou lift vp thy face without spot, yea thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not feare:

16 Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that passe away:

17 And thine age † shall be clearer then the noone day; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

† Heb. shall
arise aboue
the noone-
day.

18 And thou shalt be secure because there is hope, yea thou shalt digge about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 *Also thou shalt lye downe, and none shall make thee afraid; yea many shall † make suite vnto thee.

* Leuit. 26.
5.
† Heb. en-
treat thy
face.

20 But the eyes of the wicked shall faile, and † they shall not escape, and *their hope shall be as the || giuing vp of the ghost.

† Heb. flight
shall perish
from them.
* Chap. 8.
14. and 18.
14.

CHAP. XII.

1 Iob mainteineth himselfe against his friends that reprove him. 7 He acknowledgeth the generall doctrine of Gods omniporencie.

|| Or, a puffed
of breath.

And



And Iob answered, and sayd,

2 No doubt but ye are the people, and wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I haue [†] vnderstanding as well as you, [†] I am not inferiour to you: yea, [†] who knoweth not such things as these?

4 I am as one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth vpon God, and he answereth him: the iust vpriht man is laughed to scorne.

5 He that is ready to slippe with his feet, is as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that prouoke God are secure, into whose hand God bringeth abundantly.

7 But aske now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the foules of the aire, and they shall tell thee.

8 Or speake to the earth, and it shall teach thee; and the fishes of the sea shall declare vnto thee.

9 Who knoweth not in all these, that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?

10 In whose hand is the ^{||} soule of euery liuing thing, and the breath of [†] all mankinde.

11 *Doeth not the eare trie wordes: and the [†] mouth taste his meate?

12 With the ancient is wisdom, and in length of dayes, vnderstanding.

13 With ^{||} him is wisdom & strength, he hath counsell and vnderstanding.

14 *Behold, he breaketh downe, and it cannot be built againe: hee *shutteth [†] vp a man, and there can be no opening.

15 Behold, hee withholdeth the waters, and they drie vp: also hee sendeth them out, and they ouerturne the earth.

16 With him is strength & wisdom: the deceived, and the deceiver, are his.

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the Iudges fooles.

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loines with a girdle.

19 He leadeth Princes away spoiled, and ouerthroweth the mightie.

20 *He remooueth away [†] the speech of the trustie, and taketh away the vnderstanding of the aged.

21 He poureth contempt vpon princes, and ^{||} weakeneth the strength of the mightie.

22 Hee discouereth deepe things out

of darkenesse, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: hee enlargeth the nations, and [†] straiteneth them againe.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chiefe of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way.

25 They grope in the darke without light, and hee maketh them to [†] stagger like a drunken man.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Iob reprocueth his friends of partialitie. 14 He professeth his confidence in God: 20 and entreateth to knowe his owne sinnes, and Gods purpose in afflicting him.

Hear, mine eye hath seene all this, mine eare hath heard and vnderstood it.

2 What yee know, the same doe I know also, I am not inferiour vnto you.

3 Surely I would speake to the Almighty, & I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye are forgers of lies, yee are all physicians of no value.

5 O that you would altogether hold your peace, & it should be your wisdom.

6 Heare now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will you speake wickedly for God: and talke deceitfully for him?

8 Will ye accept his person: Will yee contend for God?

9 Is it good that hee should search you out: or as one man mocketh another, doe ye so mocke him?

10 He will surely reprocue you, if yee doe secretly accept persons.

11 Shall not his excellencie make you afraid: and his dread fall vpon you?

12 Your remembrances are like vnto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.

13 [†] Hold your peace, let me alone that I may speake, and let come on me what will.

14 Wherefore doe I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?

15 Though hee slay mee, yet will I trust in him: but I will [†] maintaine mine owne wayes before him.

16 Hee also shall be my saluation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.

17 Heare diligently my speech, and my declaration with your eares.

18 Behold now, I haue ordered my cause, I know that I shall be iustified.

19 Who

[†] Heb. an heart.
[†] Heb. I fall not lower then you.
[†] Heb. with whom are not such as these?

^{||} Or, life.

[†] Heb. all flesh of man.
*Cha. 34. 3.
[†] Heb. palate.

^{||} That is, with God.

*Isa. 22. 22.
*Apoc. 3. 7.
[†] Heb. upon.

*Cha. 32. 9.
[†] Heb. the lip of the faithfull.

^{||} Or, looseth the girdle of the strong.

[†] Heb. lo. dethin.

[†] Heb. m. der.

[†] Heb. be. lent from me.

[†] Heb. prom. or argu.

19 Who is hee that will plead with me: for now if I hold my tongue, I shall giue vp the ghost.

20 Only doe not trow things vnto me: then will I not hide my selfe from thee.

21 Withdrowe thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make mee afraid.

22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speake, and answer thou mee.

23 How many are mine iniquities and sinnes: make mee to knowe my transgression, and my sinne.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemye?

25 Wilt thou breake a leafe driuen to and fro: and wilt thou pursue the dre stubble?

26 For thou writest bitter things against mee, and * makest me to possesse the iniquities of my youth.

27 Thou putttest my feete also in the stockes, and † lookest narrowly vnto all my pathes: thou settest a print vpon the † heeles of my feete.

28 And hee, as a rotten thing consumeth, as a garment that is moth-eaten.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Iob intreateth God for fauour, by the shortnes of life, and certainty of death. 7 Though life once lost be irrecoverable, yet he waiteth for his change. 16 By sinne the Creature is subiect to corruption.

MAN that is borne of a woman, is † off few dayes, and full of trouble.

2 * Hee cometh forth like a flower, and is cut downe: he fleeth also, as a shadow and continueth not.

3 And doest thou open thine eyes vpon such an one, and bringest me into iudgment with thee?

4 † Who * can bring a cleane thing out of an vnicleane: not one.

5 * Seeing his daies are determined, the number of his moneths are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot passe.

6 Turne from him that hee may † rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut downe, that it will sprout againe, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the roote thereof were old in the earth, and the stocke thereof die in the ground:

9 Yet through the sent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughes like a plant.

10 But man dyeth, and † wasteth away: yea, man giueth vp the ghost, and where is hee?

11 As the waters faile from the sea, and the floud decayeth and dryeth vp:

12 So man lyeth downe, and riseth not, till the heauens be no more, they shall not awake; nor bee raised out of their sleepe.

13 O that thou wouldest hide mee in the graue, that thou wouldest keepe me secret, vntill thy wrath bee past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me.

14 If a man die, shall he liue againe: All the dayes of my appointed time will I waite, till my change come.

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt haue a desire to the worke of thine hands.

16 * For now thou numbrest my steppes, doest thou not watch ouer my sinne?

17 By transgression is sealed vp in a bagge, and thou sewest vp mine iniquitie.

18 And surely the mountaine falling † cometh to nought: and the rocke is remoued out of his place.

19 The waters weare the stones, thou † wastest away the things which growe out of the dust of the earth, and thou destroyest the hope of man.

20 Thou preuailest for euer against him, and hee passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sonnes come to honour, and he knoweth it not, and they are brought lowe, but he perceiveth it not of them.

22 But his flesh vpon him shall haue paine, and his soule within him shall mourne.

CHAP. XV.

1 Eliphaz reproveth Iob of impiety in iustifying himselfe. 17 He proueth by Tradition the vnquietnes of wicked men.

When answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 Should a wise man utter † vaine knowledge, and fill his belly with the East winde?

3 Should

† Heb. is weakened, or cut off.

* Psal. 136. 2

† Heb. fa-
deib.

† Heb. over-
floweth.

† Heb. know-
ledge of
wind.

* Psal. 25. 7.

† Heb. obser-
ueth.

† Heb. roots.

† Heb. short
of dayes?

* Psal. 102.

12. & 103.

15. & 144.

4. Iob. 8. 9.

† Heb. who
will giue?

* Psal. 51. 5.

* Chap. 7. 1.

† Heb. conse.

† Heb. thou
makest void.
|| Or, speech.
† Heb. teacheth.

* Rom. 11.
34.

* Chap. 14.
4. 1. king. 8.
46. 2. chron.
6. 36. psal.
14. 3. prou.
20. 9. 1. ioh.
1. 8.
* Iob. 4. 18.

† Hebr. a
sound of
fear.

3 Should hee reason with vnprofitable talke: or with speeches where with he can doe no good?

4 Psea† thou castest off feare, and restrainest || prayer before God.

5 For thy mouth† vttereth thine iniquitie, and thou choolest the tongue of the craftie.

6 Thine owne mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea thine owne lippes testifie against thee.

7 Art thou the first man that was borne: or wast thou made before the hilles?

8 * Hast thou heard the secret of God: and doest thou restraine wisdom to thy selfe?

9 What knowest thou that we know not: what vnderstandest thou, which is not in vs?

10 With vs are both the gray headed, and very aged men, much elder then thy father.

11 Are the consolations of God small with thee: is there any secret thing with thee?

12 Why doeth thine heart carie thee away: and what doe thine eyes winke at,

13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest such words goe out of thy mouth?

14 * What is man, that he should be cleane: and he which is borne of a woman, that he should be righteous?

15 * Beholde, he putteth no trust in his Saints, yea, the heauens are not cleane in his sight.

16 How much more abominable and filthie is man, which drinketh iniquitie like water?

17 I will shew thee, heare me, and that which I haue seene, I wil declare,

18 which wise men haue tolde from their fathers, and haue not hid it:

19 Unto whom alone the earth was giuen, and no stranger passed among them.

20 The wicked man trauaileth with paine all his dayes, and the number of yeeres is hidden to the oppressour.

21 † A dreadfull sound is in his eares; in prosperitie the destroyer shall come vpon him.

22 He beleeueth not that he shall returne out of darkenesse, and he is waited for, of the sword.

23 He wandereth abroad for bread, saying, Where is it? he knoweth that the

day of darkenesse is ready at his hand.

24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall preuaile against him, as a king ready to the battell.

25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himselfe against the Almighty.

26 He runneth vpon him, euen on his necke, vpon the thicke bosses of his bucklers:

27 Because he couereth his face with his fatnesse, and maketh collops of fat on his flanks.

28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, and in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heapes.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof vpon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkenesse, the flame shall drie vp his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he goe away.

31 Let not him that is deceiued, trust in vanitie: for vanitie shall be his recompence.

32 It shall be || accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not bee Greene.

33 He shal shake off his vnripe grape as the Olive, and shall cast off his flowre as the Olive.

34 For the congregation of hypocrites shall be desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of briberie.

35 They conceiue mischief, * and bring forth || vanitie, and their belly prepareth deceit.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Iob reproveth his friends of vnmercifulnesse.

7 He sheweth the pitifulnesse of his case. 17 He maintaineth his innocencie.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 I haue heard many such things: || * miserable comforters are ye all.

3 Shall † vaine words haue an ende: or what emboldeneth thee, that thou answerest?

4 I also could speake as yee doe: if your soule were in my soules stead, I could heape vp words against you, and shake mine head at you.

5 But I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the mouing of my lips should

|| Or, cut off.

* Eley 59. 4
psal. 7. 15.
|| Or, iniquitie.

|| Or, trouble.
ble some.
* Chap. 13.

4.
† Heb. words
of wind.

Should assuage your griete.

6 Though I speake, my griete is not assuaged: and though I forbear, what am I eased?

† Heb. what goeth from me?

7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate al my companie.

8 And thou hast filled mee with wrinkles, which is a witnesse against me: and my leanness rising vp in me, beareth witnesse to my face.

9 He teareth me in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth vpon me with his teeth: mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes vpon me.

10 They haue gaped vpon me with their mouth, they haue snitten me vpon the cheek reprochfully, they haue gathered themselves together against mee.

† Heb. hath he me vp.

11 God hath deliuered me to the vn- godly, and turned me ouer into the hands of the wicked.

12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken me by my necke, and shaken me to pieces, and set me vp for his marke.

13 His archers compasse me round about, he cleaueth my reins asunder, and doeth not spare: he powreth out my gall vpon the ground.

14 He breaketh me with breach vpon breach, he runneth vpon me like a giant.

15 I haue sowed sackcloth vpon my skin, and defiled my home in the dust.

16 My face is foule with weeping, and on mine eye-lids is the shadow of death;

17 Not for any iniustice in mine hands: also my prayer is pure.

18 O earth couer not thou my blood, and let my cry haue no place.

19 Also now, behold my witnesse is in heauen, and my record is on high.

† Heb. in the high places.

20 My friends scorn me: but mine eye powreth out teares vnto God.

† Heb. are my scorers.

21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbour.

† Or, friend. † Heb. yeeres of number.

22 When a few yeeres are come, then I shall goe the way whence I shall not returne.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Iob appealeth from men to God. 6 The vnmerefull dealing of men with the afflicted, may astonish, but not discourage the righteous. 11 His hope is not in life, but in death.

My breath is corrupt, my dayes are extinct, the graues are ready for me.

|| Or, my spirit is spent.

2 Are there not mockers with mee: and doeth not mine eye continue in their prouocation?

† Heb. lodge.

3 Lay downe now, put me in a suretie with thee: who is he that will strike hands with me?

4 For thou hast hid their heart from vnderstanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt them.

5 Hee that speaketh flattery to his friends, euen the eyes of his children shall faile.

6 He hath made me also a by-word of the people, and afore time I was as a tabret.

|| Or, before them.

7 Mine eye also is dimme by reason of sorrow, and all my members are as a shadow.

|| Or, my thoughts.

8 Upright men shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall stirre vp himselfe against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath cleane hands shall be stronger, and stronger.

† Heb. shall adde strength.

10 But as for you all, doe you re- turne, and come now, for I cannot find one wise man among you.

11 My dayes are past, my purposes are broken off, euen the thoughts of my heart:

† Heb. the possessions.

12 They change the night into day: the light is short, because of darknes.

† Heb. neere

13 If I waite, the graue is mine house: I haue made my bedde in the darknesse.

14 I haue said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worme, Thou art my mother, and my sister.

† Heb. cried, or called.

15 And where is now my hope: as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall goe downe to the barres of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Bildad reproveth Iob of presumption and impatiencie. 5 The calamities of the wicked.

When answered Bildad the Shuhite and said,
2 How long will it bee, ere you make an ende of words? Marke, and afterwards we will speake.

3 Wherefore are wee counted as beasts, and reputed vile in your sight?

4 He

† Hebr. his
soule.

4 He teareth himselfe in his anger:
shall the earth be forsaken for thee: and
shall the rocke bee remooued out of his
place?

5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be
put out, and the sparke of his fire shall
not shine.

|| Or, lampe.

6 The light shall be darke in his ta-
bernacle, and his candle shall be put out
with him.

7 The steps of his strength shall be
straitened, and his owne counsell shall
cast him downe.

8 For hee is cast into a net by his
owne feete, & he walketh vpon a snare.

9 The grinne shall take him by the
heele, and the robber shall preuaile a-
gainst him.

† Hebr. hid-
den.

10 The snare is † laide for him in the
ground, and a trap for him in the way.

† Hebr. scat-
ter him.

11 Terrours shall make him afraid
on euery side, and shall † drive him to
his feete.

12 His strength shall be hunger-bit-
ten, and destruction shall be ready at his
side.

† Hebr. barres

13 It shall deuoure the † strength of
his skinne: euen the first bozne of death
shall deuoure his strength.

* Cha. 8. 14.
and 11. 20.
psa. 112. 10.
pro. 10. 28.

14 * His confidence shall be rooted out
of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him
to the king of terrours.

15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle,
because it is none of his: brimstone shall
be scattered vpon his habitation.

16 His rootes shall be dyed by be-
neath: and aboue shall his branch be
cut off.

* Pro. 2. 22.

17 * His remembrance shall perish
from the earth, and hee shall haue no
name in the streete.

† Hebr. they
shall drive
him.

18 † He shall be driven from light into
darkenesse, and chased out of the world.

19 Hee shall neither haue sonne nor
nephew among his people, nor any re-
maining in his dwellings.

|| Or, lured
with him.† Hebr. layd
holde on hon-
or.

20 They that come after him shall be
astonied at his day, as they that || went
before, † were affrighted.

21 Surely such are the dwellings of
the wicked, and this is the place of him
that knoweth not God.

C H A P. XIX.

1 Iob complaining of his friends cruelty, shew-
eth there is miserie enough in him to feede
their crueltye. 21. 28 Hee craueth pitie. 23
He beleueth the resurrection.



hen Iob answered, and
sayd,

2 How long will yee
bere my soule, and breake
me in pierces with words?

3 These tenne times haue ye repro-
ched me: you are not ashamed that you
|| make your selues strange to me.

|| Or, harden
your selues
against me.

4 And be it indeede that I haue er-
red, mine errour remaineth with my
selfe.

5 If indeede yee will magnifie your
selues against me, and plead against me
my reproch:

6 Know now that God hath ouer-
throwen me, and hath compassed me
with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of || wrong,
but I am not heard: I cry aloude, but
there is no iudgement.

|| Or, vio-
lence.

8 Hee hath fenced by my way that
I cannot passe; and hee hath set darke-
nesse in my pathes.

9 Hee hath stript me of my glory,
and taken the crowne from my head.

10 He hath destroyed me on euery
side, and I am gone: and mine hope
hath he remooued like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath a-
gainst me, and hee counteth me vnto
him as one of his enemies.

12 His troupes come together, and
raile by their way against me, and en-
campe round about my tabernacle.

13 Hee hath put my brethren farre
from me, and mine acquaintance are
verely estranged from me.

14 My kinsfolke haue failed, and
my familiar friends haue forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house,
and my maides count me for a stranger:
I am an aliant in their sight.

16 I called my seruant, and he gaue
me no answer: I intreated him with
my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife,
though I entreated for the childrens
sake of † mine owne body.

† Hebr. my
belly.

18 Yea, || yong children despised me;
I arose, and they spake against me.

|| Or, the
wicked.

19 * All † my inward friends abhor-
red me: and they whom I loued, are
turned against me.

* Psal. 41. 9.
and 55. 19.
† Hebr. the
men of my
secret.

20 My bone cleaueth to my skinne,
|| and to my flesh, and I am escaped
with the skinne of my teeth.

|| Or, as.

21 Haue pity vpon me, haue pitie vpon
me, O ye my friends: for the hand of
God hath touched me.

22 why

22 Why doe ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

† Heb. who will gine? &c.

23 † Oh that my wordes were now written, oh that they were printed in a booke!

24 That they were grauen with an iron pen and lead, in the rocke for ever.

25 For I know that my Redeemer liueth, and that he shall stand at the latter day, vpon the earth:

|| Or, After I shall awake though this body be destroyed, yet out of my flesh shall I see God.
† Heb. a stranger.
† Heb. is my bosome.
† Or, and what roote of matter is found in me?

26 And though after my skin, wormes destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

27 Whom I shall see for my selfe, and mine eyes shall beholde; and not † another, though my reines bee consumed † within me.

28 But ye should say, why persecute we him: † seeing the root of the matter is found in me.

29 Bee ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword, that yee may know there is a iudgement.

CHAP. XX.

Zophar sheweth the state and portion of the wicked.

When answered Zophar the Naamathite, and saide,

2 Therefore doe my thoughts cause mee to answer, and for this † I make haste.

† Heb. my haste is in me.

3 I haue heard the checke of my reproach, and the spirit of my vnderstanding causeth me to answer.

4 Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed vpon earth,

* Psal. 37.

† Heb. from nere.

5 * That the triumphing of the wicked is † short, and the ioy of the hypocrite but for a moment:

† Heb. cloud.

6 Though his excellencie mount vp to the heauens, and his head reach vnto the † clouds:

7 Yet he shall perish for ever, like his owne dung: they which haue seene him, shall say, where is he?

8 He shall flie away as a dreame, and shall not be found: yea he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

9 The eye also which saw him, shall see him no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.

|| Or, the poore shall oppress his children.

10 His children shall seeke to please the poore, and his hands shall restore their goods.

11 His bones are full of the slime of his

youth, which shall lye downe with him in the dust.

12 Though wickednes be sweet in his mouth, though hee hide it vnder his tongue;

13 Though he spare it, and forsake it not, but keepe it still † within his mouth:

† Heb. in the midst of his palate.

14 Yet his meate in his bowels is turned, it is the gall of Aspes within him.

15 He hath swallowed downe riches, and hee shall vomite them vp againe: God shall cast them out of his belly.

16 He shall sucke the poison of Aspes: the vipers tongue shall slay him.

|| Or, streaming brooks.

17 Hee shall not see the rivers, || the floods, the brookes of hony and butter.

18 That which he laboured for, shall he restore, & shall not swallow it downe: † according to his substance shall the restitution bee, and hee shall not reioyce therein.

† Heb. according to the substance of his exchange.
† Heb. crushed.
* Eccles. 5. 12.

19 Because hee hath † oppressed, and hath forsaken the poore; because he hath violently taken away an * house which he builded not:

† Heb. known.

20 Surely he shall not † feele quietnesse in his belly, hee shall not saue of that which he desired.

21 There shall none of his meat be left, therefore shall no man looke for his goods.

|| Or, there shall be none left for his meats.

22 In the fulnesse of his sufficiencie, hee shall be in straites: euery hand of the † wicked shall come vpon him.

|| Or, trouble some.

23 When he is about to fill his belly, God shall cast the furie of his wrath vpon him, and shall raine it vpon him while he is eating.

24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, and the bow of Steele shall strike him through.

25 It is drawen, and commeth out of the body; yea the glistering sword commeth out of his gall; terrours are vpon him.

26 All darknesse shall be hid in his secret places: a fire not blowen shall consume him; it shall goe ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.

27 The heauen shall reueale his iniquitie: and the earth shall rise vp against him.

28 The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.

29 This is the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage † appointed vnto him by God.

† Heb. of his decree from God.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Iob sheweth that euen in the iudgement of man, he hath reason to be grieued. 7 Sometimes the wicked doe so prosper, as they despise God. 16 Sometime their destruction is manifest. 22 The happy and vnhappy are alike in death. 27 The iudgement of the wicked is in another world.

BUt Iob answered, and sayd,
2 Heare diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.

3 Suffer me that I may speake, and after that I haue spoken, mocke on.

4 As for mee, is my complaint to man: and if it were so, Why should not my spirit be † troubled?

5 † Marke mee, and be astonished, and lay your hand vpon your mouth.

6 Euen when I remember, I am afraid, and trembling taketh holde on my flesh.

7 *Wherefore doe the wicked liue, become old, yea, are mightie in power?

8 Their seede is established in their sight with them, and their offspring befoze their eyes.

9 Their houses are † safe from feare, neither is the rod of God vpon them.

10 Their bull gendzeth and faileth not, their cow calueth, and casteth not her calfe.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flocke, and their children dance.

12 They take the timbrell and harpe, and reioyce at the sound of the organe.

13 They spend their daies || in wealth, and in a moment goe downe to the graue.

14 *Therefore they say vnto God, Depart from vs: for we desire not the knowledge of thy wayes.

15 What is the Almighty, that wee should serue him: and what profite should we haue, if we pray vnto him?

16 Loe, their good is not in their hand, the counsell of the wicked is farre from me.

17 How oft is the || candle of the wicked put out: and how oft comneth their destruction vpon them: God distributeth sorrowes in his anger.

18 They are as stubble before the winde, and as chaffe that the storme † carrieth away.

19 God layeth vp his || iniquitie for

his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drinke of the wrath of the Almighty.

21 For what pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the number of his moneths is cut off in the midst?

22 Shall any teach God knowledge: seeing he iudgeth those that are high.

23 One dieth † in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His || breasts are full of milke, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soule, and neuer eateth with pleasure.

26 They shall lie downe alike in the dust, and the wormes shall couer them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the deuices which yee wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, where is the house of the prince: and where are † the dwelling places of the wicked?

29 Haue ye not asked them that goe by the way: and doe ye not know their tokens?

30 *That the wicked is reserued to the day of destruction: they shall bee brought forth to † the day of wrath.

31 Who shall declare his way to his face: and who shall repay him what he hath done?

32 Yet shall hee be brought to the † graue, & shall † remaine in the tombe.

33 The cloudes of the valley shall be sweete vnto him, and every man shall draw after him, as there are innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vaine, seeing in your answeres there remaineth † falshood?

CHAP. XXII.

1 Eliphaz sheweth that mans goodnesse profiteth not God. 5 Hee accuseth Iob of diuers sinnes. 21 He exhorteth him to repentance, with promises of mercy.

When Eliphaz the Temanite answered, and said,
2 Can a man be profitable vnto God: as || hee that is wise may be profitable vnto himselfe.

3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous: or is it game to him, that thou makest thy wayes perfite?

4 will

† Heb. scorned.
† Heb. looke vnto me.

* Psal. 17.
10. and 73.
† 2. iere. 12.
1. hab. 1. 16.

† Heb. are peace from feare.

|| Or, in mirth.

Chap. 22.
17.

|| Or, lampe.

† Heb. stealeth away.
|| That is, the punishment of his iniquitie.

† Heb. in his very perfection, or in the strength of his perfection.
|| Or, milke-pales.

† Heb. the tent of the tabernacle of the wicked.

* Pro. 16.4.

† Heb. the day of wrath.

† Heb. graue.
† Heb. match in the heape.

† Heb. transgression.

† Psal. 107.
4.

|| Or, state.
|| Or, their excellencie.
|| That is, with God.

|| Or, if hee may be profitable, doth his good success depend thereon?

Chap. 8. 5.

|| Or, the

Eliphaz exhorteth Chap.xxiiij. Iob to repentance.

4 Will hee reprove thee for feare of thee: Will he enter with thee into iudgement?

5 Is not thy wickednesse great: and thine iniquities infinite?

† Heb. stripped the clothes of the naked.

6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and † stripped the naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not given water to the wearie to drinke, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.

† Heb. the man of arme
† Heb. eminent or accepted for countenance.

8 But as for the † mightie man, hee had the earth, and † the honourable man dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widowes away emptie, and the armes of the fatherlesse haue bene broken.

10 Therefore snares are round about thee, and sudden feare troubleth thee,

11 Or darkenes that thou canst not see, and abundance of waters couer thee.

† Heb. the head of the starres.
|| Or, what.

12 Is not God in the height of heauen: and behold the † height of the starres how high they are.

13 And thou sayest, || How doth God know: can he iudge through the darke cloude:

14 Thicke cloudes are a couering to him that he seeth not, and hee walketh in the circuit of heauen.

15 Hast thou marked the olde way which wicked men haue troden:

† Heb. a flood was poured upon their foundation.
* Chap. 21. 14.

16 Which were cut downe out of time, † whose foundation was overflown with a flood.

17 * Which said vnto God, Depart from vs, and what can the Almighty doe || for them:

† Heb. a flood was poured upon their foundation.
* Chap. 21. 16.

18 * Yet he filled their houses with good things: but the counsell of the wicked is farre from me.

* Psal. 107. 42.

19 * The righteous see it, and are glad, and the innocent laugh them to scorne.

|| Or, estate.

20 Whereas our || substance is not cut downe, but the || remnant of them the fire consumeth.

|| Or, their excellencie.

21 Acquaint now thy selfe with || him, and be at peace: thereby good shal come vnto thee.

|| That is, with God.

22 Receiue, I pray thee, the Lawe from his mouth, and lay vp his words in thine heart.

* Chap. 8. 5.

23 * If thou returne to the Almighty, thou shalt be built vp, thou shalt put away iniquitie farre from thy tabernacles.

|| Or, on the dust.

24 Then shalt thou lay vp golde || as

dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brookes.

25 Vea the Almighty shall bee thy || defence, and thou shalt haue † plenty of siluer.

|| Or, gold.
† Heb. silver of strength.

26 For then shalt thou haue thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift vp thy face vnto God.

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer vnto him, and he shall heare thee, and thou shalt pay thy vowes.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shal be established vnto thee: and the light shall shine vpon thy wayes.

29 When men are cast downe, then thou shalt say, There is lifting vp: and he shall saue the † humble person.

† Heb. him that hath lowe eyes.

30 || He shall deliuer the Island of the innocent: and it is deliuered by the purenesse of thine hands.

|| Or, the innocent shall deliuer the Island.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Iob longeth to appeare before God, 6 in confidence of his mercie. 8 God who is invisible, obserueth our wayes. 11 Iobs innocencie. 13 Gods decree is immutable.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 Euen to day is my complaint bitter: my † stroke is heavier then my groning.

† Heb. my hand.

3 O that I knewe where I might find him! that I might come euen to his seate!

4 I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words which he would answer me, and vnderstand what he would say vnto me.

6 Will he plead against me with his great power: No, but hee would put strength in me.

7 There the righteous might dispute with him: so should I be deliuered for euer from my Iudge.

8 Behold, I goe forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I cannot perceiue him:

9 On the left hand where hee doeth worke, but I cannot behold him: he hideth himselfe on the right hand, that I cannot see him.

10 But he knoweth † the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

† Heb. the way that is with me.

11 My foot hath held his steps, his way haue I kept, and not declined.

† Hebr. I
haue hid, or
layd up.
|| Or, my ap-
pointed por-
tion.
* Pſal. 115.
3.

12 Neither haue I gone backe from
the commaundement of his lippes; † I
haue eſteemed the words of his mouth
more then || my neceſſary food.

13 But hee is in one minde, and who
can turne him: and what * his ſoule deſi-
reth, euen that he doeth.

14 For he performeth the thing that
is appointed for mee: and many ſuch
things are with him.

15 Therefore am I troubled at his
preſence: when I conſider, I am afraid
of him.

16 For God maketh my heart ſoft,
and the Almighty troubleth me:

17 Becauſe I was not cut off before
the darknes, neither hath he couered the
darknes from my face.

C H A P. XXIII.

1 Wickedneſſe goeth often vnpunished. 17
There is a ſecret iudgement for the wicked.

Why, ſeeing Times are not
hidden from the Almighty,
doe they, that know
him not, ſee his dayes?

2 Some remooue the
* land-markes; they violently take a-
way flocks, and || feed thereof.

3 They drive away the aſſe of the
fatherleſſe, they take the widowes ore
for a pledge.

4 They turne the needy out of the
way: the poore of the earth hide them-
ſelues together.

5 Behold, as wilde aſſes in the de-
ſart, goe they ſooth to their worke, ri-
ſing betimes for a pray: the wildernes
yeeldeth food for them; and for their chil-
dren.

6 They reape euery one his † corne
in the field: and † they gather the vin-
tage of the wicked.

7 They cauſe the naked to lodge
without clothing, that they haue no co-
uering in the cold.

8 They are wet with the ſhowres
of the mountaines, and imbrace the
rocke for want of a ſhelter.

9 They plucke the fatherleſſe from
the breaſt, and take a pledge of the poore.

10 They cauſe him to go naked with-
out clothing: and they take away the
ſheafe from the hungry,

11 Which make oyle within their
walles, and tread their winepreſſes, and
ſuffer thirſt.

12 When groane from out of the city,

and the ſoule of the wounded crieth out:
yet God layeth not folly to them.

13 They are of thoſe that rebell a-
gainſt the light, they know not the
wayes thereof, nor abide in the pathes
thereof.

14 The murderer riſing with the
light, killeth the poore and needy, and
in the night is as a thiefe.

15 The eye alſo of the adulterer wait-
teth for the twilight, ſaying, No eye
ſhall ſee me: and diſguiſeth his face.

16 In the darke they digge through
houſes, which they had marked for them-
ſelues in the day time: they know not
the light.

17 For the morning is to them euen
as the ſhadow of death: if one know
them, they are in the terrours of the ſha-
dow of death.

18 Hee is ſwift as the waters, their
portion is curſed in the earth: he behol-
deth not the way of the Vineyards.

19 Drought and heate † conſume the
ſnow waters: ſo doeth the graue thoſe
which haue ſinned.

20 The wombe ſhall forget him, the
worme ſhall feed ſweetly on him, hee
ſhall be no more remembred, and Wic-
kednes ſhall be broken as a tree.

21 He euill intreateth the barren, that
beareth not: and doeth not good to the
widow.

22 He draweth alſo the mighty with
his power: he riſeth vp, || and no man is
ſure of life.

23 Though it be given him to be in ſafe-
ty, whereon he reſteth; yet his eyes are
vpon their wayes.

24 They are exalted for a litle while,
but † are gone and brought low, they
are † taken out of the way as al other, and
cut off as the tops of the eares of corne.

25 And if it be not ſo now, who will
make mee a liar, and make my ſpeech
nothing worth?

C H A P. XXV.

Bildad ſheweth that man cannot be iuſti-
fied before God.



When answered Bildad the
Shuhite, and ſaid:

2 Dominion and feare
are with him, hee maketh
peace in his high places.

3 Is there any num-
ber of his armies: and vpon whom
doeth not his light ariſe?

4 *How

* Deut. 19.
14. and 27.
17.
|| Or, feed
them.

† Hebr. min-
gled corne,
or dredge.
† Hebr. the
wicked ga-
ther the vin-
tage.

† Hebr. ſe-
teth his face
in ſecret.

† Hebr. vi-
olently take
it.

|| Or, hee tri-
ſteth not his
owne life.

† Hebr. are
not.
† Hebr. clo-
ſed up.

* Chap. 4.
17. &c. &c.
15. 14. &c.

* Pſal. 115.

|| Or, with
the end of
the vine.
Pro. 15. 11

† Hebr. euill
the end of
the vine
the vine.

† Hebr. pride.

Gods power. Chap.xxvj.xxvij. Hypocrites hope.

* Chap. 4.
17. &c. &
15. 14. &c.

4 *How then can man bee iustified with God: or how can he be cleane that is borne of a woman?

5 Behold euen to the moone, and it shineth not, yea the starres are not pure in his sight.

* Plal. 22. 6.

6 How much lesse man, that is a worme: and the sonne of man which is a * worme:

CHAP. XXVI.

1 Job reproving the vncharitable spirit of Bildad, 5 acknowledgeth the power of God to be infinite and vnsearchable.

BUT Job answered and sayd,

2 Howe hast thou helped him that is without power: how sauest thou the arme that hath no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom: and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing, as it is?

4 To whom hast thou vttered words: and whose spirit came from thee?

|| Or, with the inhabitants.

* Pro. 15. 11

5 Dead things are formed from vnder the waters, || and the inhabitants thereof.

6 *Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no couering.

7 He stretcheth out the North ouer the emptie place, and hangeth the earth vpon nothing.

8 Hee bindeth by the waters in his thicke clouds, and the cloud is not rent vnder them.

9 Hee holdeth backe the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud vpon it.

† Heb. vntill the end of light with darknesse.

10 Hee hath compassed the waters with bounds, † vntill the day and night come to an end.

11 The pillars of heauen tremble, and are astonished at his reproofe.

† Heb. pride.

12 Hee diuideth the sea with his power, and by his vnderstanding he smiteth through † the proud.

13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heauens: his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

14 Loe, these are parts of his waies, but how little a portion is heard of him: but the thunder of his power who can vnderstand:

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Job protesteth his sincerity. 8 The Hypocrite is without hope. 11 The blessings, which the wicked haue, are turned into curses:



Moreuer Job continued his parable, and sayd,

† Heb. added to take vp.

2 As God liueth, who hath taken away my iudgment, and the Almighty, who hath † ver-

ed my soule;

† Heb. made my soule bitter.

3 All the while my breath is in mee, and * the spirit of God is in my nostrils;

* That is, the breath which God gaue him.

4 My lips shall not speake wickednesse, nor my tongue vtter deceit.

5 God forbid that I should iustifie you: till I die, I will not remoue my integritie from me.

6 My righteousnesse I hold fast, and will not let it goe: my heart shall not reproach me † so long as I liue.

† Heb. from my daies.

7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth vp against me, as the vnrightheous.

8 *For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soule?

* Mat. 16. 26.

9 *Will God heare his cry, when trouble commeth vpon him?

* Prou. 1. 28. Ezech. 8. 18. Iohn. 9. 31. Iam. 4. 3.

10 Will he delight himselfe in the Almighty: will hee alwayes call vpon God?

11 I will teach you || by the hand of God: that which is with the Almighty, will I not conceale.

|| Or, being in the hand &c.

12 Behold, all ye your selues haue seene it. Why then are yee thus altogether vaine?

13 This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressours which they shall receiue of the Almighty.

14 If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 *Those that remaine of him shall bee buried in death: and his widowes shall not weepe.

* Plal. 78. 65.

16 Though he heape by siluer as the dust, and prepare rayment as the clay:

17 He may prepare it, but the iust shall put it on, and the innocent shall diuide the siluer.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth that the keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie downe, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he is not:

20 *Terrorours take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.

* Chap. 18. 11.

21 The East winde carieth him away,

way, and he departeth: and as a storme hurleth him out of his place.

† Heb. in fleeing he would flee.

22 For God shall cast vpon him, and not spare: † hee would faine flee out of his hand.

23 Men shall clap their handes at him, and shall hisse him out of his place.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 There is a knowledge of naturall things. 12 But wisedome is an excellent gift of God.

|| Or, a mine.

Surely there is || a veine for the siluer, and a place for golde where they fine it.

|| Or, dust.

2 Iron is taken out of the || earth, and brasle is molten out of the stone.

3 Hee setteth an ende to darkenesse, and seareth out all perfection: the stones of darkenesse and the shadow of death.

4 The floud breaketh out from the inhabitant, euen the waters forgotten of the foote: they are dried vp, they are gone away from men.

5 As for the earth, out of it commeth bread: and vnder it, is turned vp as it were fire.

|| Or, gold-oare.

6 The stones of it are the place of Saphires: and it hath || dust of golde.

7 There is a path which no foule knoweth, and which the vulturs eye hath not scene.

8 The lyons whelps haue not troden it, nor the fierce lyon passed by it.

|| Or, flint.

9 Hee putteth forth his hand vpon the || rocke; hee ouerturneth the mountaines by the rootes.

10 Hee cutteth out riuers among the rockes, and his eye seeth euery precious thing.

† Heb. from weeping.

11 He bindeth the flouds † from overflowing, and the thing that is hid, bringeth he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisedome bee found: and where is the place of vnderstanding:

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.

* Rom. 11. 23, 34.

† Heb. fine gold shall not be giuen for it.

* Pro. 3. 14. and 8. 11, 19. and 16. 16.

14 * The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not with me.

15 † It * cannot be gotten for golde, neither shall siluer be weighed for the price thereof.

16 It cannot be valued with the golde of Ophir, with the precious Onix, or the Saphire.

17 The golde and the chrystall cannot equall it: and the exchange of it shall not be for || iewels of fine golde.

|| Or, vessel of fine gold. || Or, Raimoth.

18 No mention shall be made of || Corall, or of Pearles: for the price of wisedome is aboue Rubies.

19 The Topaze of Ethiopia shall not equall it, neither shall it be valued with pure golde.

* Ver. 12.

20 * Whence then commeth wisedome: and where is the place of vnderstanding:

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the foules of the || ayre.

|| Or, heauen.

22 Destruction and death say, Wee haue heard the fame thereof with our eares.

23 God vnderstandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For hee looketh to the endes of the earth, and seeth vnder the whole heauen:

25 To make the weight for the windes, and he weigheth the waters by measure.

26 When hee made a decree for the raine, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did he see it, || and declare it, he prepared it, yea and searched it out.

|| Or, did number it.

28 * And vnto man he said, Behold, the feare of the Lord, that is wisedome, and to depart from euill, is vnderstanding.

* Psal. 111. 10. prou. 1. 7. & 9, 10.

CHAP. XXIX.

Iob bemoaneth himselfe, of his former prosperitie and honour.

Moreouer Iob † continued his parable, and said,

† Heb. added to take up.

2 O that I were as in moneths past, as in the dayes when God preferred me.

3 When his || candle shined vpon my head, and when by his light I walked through darkenesse:

|| Or, lamp.

4 As I was in the dayes of my youth, when the secret of God was vpon my tabernacle:

5 When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me:

6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rocke powred † me out riuers of oyle:

† Heb. with me.

7 When I went out to the gate, through the citie, when I prepared my seate in the street.

8 The

† Heb. the voice of the nobles was hid.

† Heb. the sunneth or the grinders † Heb. I cast

† Heb. opened.

† Heb. new.

† Heb. changed.

† Heb. of fewe dayes ten I.

8 The yong men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, and stood by.

9 The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

† Heb. the voice of the nobles was hid.

10 † The Nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roose of their mouth.

11 When the eare heard mee, then it blessed me, and when the eye saw me, it gaue witness to me:

12 Because I deliuered the poore that cried, and the fatherlesse, and him that had none to helpe him.

13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish, came vpon me: and I caused the widowes heart to sing for ioy.

14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my iudgement was as a robe and a diademe.

15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

16 I was a father to the poore: and the cause which I knewe not, I searched out.

† Heb. the saw teeth or the grinders
† Heb. I cast

17 And I brake the † iawes of the wicked, and † pluckt the spoile out of his teeth.

18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiplie my dayes as the sand.

† Heb. opened.

19 My roote was † spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night vpon my branch.

† Heb. new.

20 My glory was † fresh in mee, and my bow was † renewed in my hand.

† Heb. changed.

21 Vnto me men gaue eare, and waited, and kept silence at my counsell.

22 After my words they spake not againe, & my speach dropped vpon them.

23 And they waited for me as for the raine, and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter raine.

24 If I laughed on them, they beleued it not, and the light of my countenance they cast not downe.

25 I chose out their way, and sate chiefe, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

CHAP. XXX.

1 Iobs honour is turned into extreme contempt.

15 His prosperitie into calamitie.

† Heb. of fewer dayes then I.

BUt nowe they † that are yonger then I, haue mee in derision, whose fathers I would haue disdained to haue set with the dogs of my flocke.

2 Yea whereto might the strength of their hands profit me, in whom olde age was perished:

3 For want and famine they were solitarie: flying into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste:

|| Or, darke as the night.
† Heb. yester-night.

4 Who cut by mallowes by the bushes, and Juniper rootes for their meate.

5 They were driven forth from among men, (they cried after them, as after a thiefe.)

6 To dwell in the clefts of the valleys, in † caues of the earth, and in the rockes.

† Heb. holes.

7 Among the bushes they brayed: vnder the nettles they were gathered together.

8 They were children of fooles, yea children of † base men: they were viler then the earth.

† Heb. men of no name.

9 * And now am I their song, yea I am their by-word.

* Psal. 35.
15. and 69.
12.

10 They abhorre me, they flee farre from me, † and spare not to spit in my face.

† Heb. and withhold not spittle from my face.

11 Because hee hath loosed my cord and afflicted me, they haue also let loose the bridle before me.

12 Vpon my right hand rise the youth, they push away my feete, and they raise vp against mee the wayes of their destruction.

13 They marre my path, they set forward my calamitie, they haue no helper.

14 They came vpon me as a wide breaking in of waters: in the desolation they rolled themselves vpon me.

15 Terrours are turned vpon mee: they pursue † my soule as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloude.

† Heb. my principall one

16 And now my soule is powdered out vpon me: the dayes of affliction haue taken hold vpon me.

17 My bones are pierced in mee in the night season: and my sinewes take no rest.

18 By the great force of my disease, is my garment changed: it bindeth mee about as the collar of my coat.

19 He hath cast mee into the myre, and I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I crie vnto thee, and thou doest not heare me: I stand by, and thou regardest me not.

21 Thou art † become cruell to me: with † thy strong hand thou opposest thy selfe against me.

† Heb. turned to be cruell.
† Hebr. the strength of thy hand.

22 Thou

|| Or, wise-
dome.

22 Thou liftest me vp to the Wind :
thou caulest me to ride vpon it, and dissol-
uest my substance.

23 For I know that thou wilt bring
me to death, and to the house appointed
for all liuing.

† Heb. heape.

24 Howbeit he will not stretch out
his hand to the † graue, though they cry
in his destruction.

* Rom. 12.

15. psal. 35.

13.

† Heb. for
him that was
hard of day.

25 * Did not I weepe † for him that
was in trouble : Was not my soule grie-
ued for the poore :

26 When I looked for good, then
euill came vnto mee : and when I wat-
ted for light, there came darkenes.

27 My bowels boyled and rested
not : the dayes of affliction preuented
mee.

28 I went mourning without the
Sunne : I stood vp, and I cried in the
Congregation.

* Psal. 102.

6.

|| Or, ostri-
ches.

29 * I am a brother to dragons, and
a companion to || owles.

30 My skinne is blacke vpon mee,
and my bones are burnt with heat.

31 My harpe also is turned to mour-
ning, and my organe into the voyce of
them that weepe.

CHAP. XXXI.

Iob maketh a solemne protestation of his inte-
gritie in seuerall ducties.



I made a couenant with
mine eyes : why then
should I thinke vpon a
mayd :

2 For what portion of
God is there from aboue : and what in-
heritance of the Almighty from on
high :

3 Is not destruction to the wicked :
and a strange punishment to the workers
of iniquitie :

* 2. Chron.

16. 9. iob

32. 21. pro.

5. 21. and

15. 3.

† Heb. let

him weigh

me in ba-

lances of

Iustice.

4 * Doeth not he see my wayes, and
count all my steps :

5 If I haue walked with vanitie,
or if my foot hath hasted to deceit :

6 † Let me bee weighed in an euen
ballance, that God may know mine in-
tegritie.

7 If my step hath turned out of the
way, and mine heart walked after
mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaued
to my hands :

8 Then let mee sow, and let another
eate, yea let my off-spring be rooted out.

9 If mine heart haue bene deceiued
by a woman, or if I haue layde wait at

my neighbours doore :

10 Then let my wife grind vnto an-
other, and let others bow downe vpon
her.

11 For this is an heinous crime, yea,
it is an iniquitie to bee punished by the
Iudges.

12 For it is a fire that consumeth to de-
struction, and would roote out all mine
encrease.

13 If I did despise the cause of my
man-servant, or of my mayd-servant,
when they contended with me :

14 What then shall I do, when God
riseth vp : and when hee visiteth, what
shall I answer him :

15 Did not hee that made mee in the
wombe, make him : and || did not one fa-
shion vs in the wombe :

|| Or, did hee
not fashion
vs in one
wombe :

16 If I haue withhelde the poore
from their desire, or haue caused the eyes
of the widow to faile :

17 Or haue eaten my morsell my
selfe alone, and the fatherlesse hath not
eaten thereof :

18 (For from my youth hee was
brought vp with me as with a father,
and I haue guided || her from my mo-
thers wombe.)

|| That is,
the widow.

19 If I haue seene any perish for
want of cloathing, or any poore with-
out couering :

20 If his loynes haue not blessed
me, and if hee were not warmed with
the fleece of my sheepe :

21 If I haue lift vp my hand against
the fatherlesse, when I saw my helpe
in the gate :

22 Then let mine arme fall from my
shoulder-blade, and mine arme be bro-
ken from the || bone.

|| Or, the
channeled
bone.

23 For destruction from God was a
terroure to mee : and by reason of his
highnesse, I could not endure.

24 If I haue made golde my hope,
or haue said to the fine gold, Thou art my
confidence :

25 If I reioyced because my wealth
was great, and because mine hand had
† gotten much :

† Heb. found
much.

26 If I beheld † the Sunne when
it shined, or the Moone walking † in
brightnesse :

† Heb. the
light.

† Heb. bright-
nesse.

27 And my heart hath bene secretly
enticed, or † my mouth hath kissed my
hand :

† Heb. my
hand hath
kissed my
mouth.

28 This also were an iniquitie to be
punished by the Iudge : For I should
haue denied the God that is aboue.

29 If

29 If I reioyced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lift vp my selfe when euill found him:

30 (Neither haue I suffered + my mouth to sinne by wishing a curse to his soule.)

31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! wee cannot be satisfied.

32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doores || to the traualler.

33 If I couered my transgressions, || as Adam: by hiding mine iniquitie in my bosome:

34 Did I feare a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrifie me: that I kept silence, and went not out of the doore:

35 O that one would heare me! || beholde, my desire is, that the Almighty would answere me, and that mine aduersary had written a booke.

36 Surely I would take it vpon my shoulder, and bind it as a crowne to me.

37 I would declare vnto him the number of my steps, as a prince would I goe neere vnto him.

38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrowes likewise thereof + complaine:

39 If I haue + eaten the fruits thereof without money, or haue + caused the owners thereof to loose their life:

40 Let thistles grow in stead of wheat, and cockle in stead of barley. The words of Iob are ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Elihu is angry with Iob and his three friends.

6 Because wisdom cometh not from age, he excuseth the boldnesse of his youth. 11 He reproveth them for not satisfying of Iob. 16 His zeale to speake.

SO these three men ceased + to answere Iob, because he was righteous in his owne eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu, the sonne of Barachel the Buzite, of the kinred of Ram: against Iob was his wrath kindled, because he iustified himselfe rather then God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled: because they had found no answere, and yet had condemned Iob.

4 Now Elihu had + waited till Iob

had spoken: because they were + elder then he.

5 When Elihu saw that there was no answere in the mouth of these three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the sonne of Barachel the Buzite answered and sayd: I am + yong, and yee are very old, wherefore I was afraid, and + durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Dayes should speake, and multitude of yeeres should teach wisdom.

8 * But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giueth them vnderstanding.

9 Great men are not alwayes wise: neither doe the aged vnderstand iudgement.

10 Therefore I sayd, hearken to me: I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words: I gaue eare to your + reasons, whilest you searched out + what to say.

12 Yea, I attended vnto you: and beholde, there was none of you that conuincd Iob, or that answered his words:

13 Lest ye should say, we haue found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

14 Now he hath not || directed his words against me: neither will I answere him with your speeches.

15 They were amased, they answered no more, + they left off speaking.

16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still and answered no more.)

17 I sayd, I will answere also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of + matter, the + spirit within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly is as wine, which + hath no vent, it is ready to burst like new bottles.

20 I will speake, + that I may be refreshed: I will open my lippes, and answere.

21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any mans person: neither let me giue flattering titles vnto man.

22 For I know not to giue flattering titles: in so doing my maker would soone take me away.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 Elihu offereth himselfe in stead of God, with sinceritie and meekenesse to reason with Iob.

8 He

+ Heb. elder for dayes.

+ Heb. few of dayes.
+ Heb. I feared.

+ Iob. 38. 36
prou. 2. 6.
eccl. 2. 26.
dan. 1. 17. &
2. 21.

+ Heb. vnderstandings
+ Heb. words

|| Or, ordered his words.

+ Heb. they removed speeches from themselves.

+ Heb. words
+ Heb. the spirit of my belly.
+ Heb. is not opened.

+ Heb. that I may breath.

8 He excuseth God from giuing man an account of his wayes, by his greatnesse. 14 God calleth man to repentance by visions, 19 by afflictions, 23 and by his ministry. 31 Hee inciteth Iob to attention.

Wherefore, Iob, I pray thee, heare my speeches, and hearken to all my wordes.

2 Behold, now I haue opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth.

3 My wordes shalbe of the vprightnesse of my heart: and my lippes shall vtter knowledge clearely.

4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath giuen me life.

5 If thou canst, answere me, set thy wordes in order before me, stand vp.

6 * Behold, I am according to thy will in Gods stead: I also am formed out of the clay.

7 Behold, my terrour shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heauie vpon thee.

8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, and I haue heard the voice of thy wordes, saying,

9 I am cleane without transgression, I am innocent; neither is there iniquitie in me.

10 Behold, hee findeth occasions against mee, hee counteth mee for his enemye.

11 He putteth my feete in the stockes, he marketh all my pathes.

12 Behold, in this thou art not iust: I will answere thee, That God is greater then man.

13 Why doest thou strue against him: for he giueth not account of any of his matters.

14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiueth it not.

15 In a dreame, in a vision of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth vpon men, in slumbrings vpon the bed:

16 Then hee openeth the eares of men, and sealeth their instruction,

17 That hee may withdraw man from his purpose, and hide pride from man.

18 Hee keepeth backe his soule from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword.

19 Hee is chastened also with paine vpon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong paine.

20 * So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soule daintie meate.

21 His flesh is consumed away that it cannot be seene, and his bones that were not seene, sticke out.

22 His soule draweth neere vnto the graue, and his life to the destroyers.

23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew vnto man his vprightnesse:

24 Then hee is gracious vnto him, and sayth, Deliuer him from going downe to the pit; I haue found a ransom.

25 His flesh shall be fresher then a childes: he shall returne to the dayes of his youth.

26 He shall pray vnto God, and hee will be fauourable vnto him, and hee shall see his face with ioy: for hee will render vnto man his righteousness.

27 He looketh vpon men, and if any say, I haue sinned, and peruerterd that which was right, and it profited mee not:

28 Hee will deliuer his soule from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.

29 Loe, all these things worketh God oftentimes with man,

30 To bring backe his soule from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the liuing.

31 Marke well, O Iob, hearken vnto me, hold thy peace, and I wil speake.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answere me: speake, for I desire to iustifie thee.

33 If not, hearken vnto me: holde thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 Elihu accuseth Iob for charging God with iniustice. 10 God omnipotent cannot be vniust. 31 Man must humble himselfe vnto God. 34 Elihu reprooueth Iob.

Elthermore Elihu answered, and said,

2 Heare my wordes, O yee wise men, and giue eare vnto me, ye that haue knowledge.

3 * For the eare trieth wordes, as the mouth tasteth meate.

4 Let vs chuse to vs iudgement: let vs know among our selues what is good.

* Psal. 107. 17.

† Heb. meate of desire.

|| Or, an atonement.

|| Heb. as in childhood.

|| Or, he shall looke vpon men, and say, I haue sinned, &c.

|| Or, hee shall deliuer my soule &c. and my life.

† Heb. twice and thrise.

† Heb. in my palate.

* Cha. 9. 35. and 23. 20. † Heb. according to thy mouth.

† Heb. out of the clay.

† Heb. in mine eares.

† Heb. hee answereth not.

† Heb. hee reuealeth, or vnuconceyth.

† Heb. worke.

† Heb. from passing by the sword.

* Chap. 11. 11.

† Heb. peate.

5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my iudgement.

6 Should I lye against my right: my wound is incurable without transgression.

7 What man is like Job, who drinketh by scorning like water:

8 Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquitie, and walketh with wicked men.

9 For hee hath said, It profiteth a man nothing, that he should delight himselfe with God.

10 Therefore hearken vnto me, ye men of vnderstanding: * farre bee it from God, that he should doe wickednes, and from the Almighty, that hee should commit iniquitie.

11 * For the worke of a man shall he render vnto him, and cause euery man to finde according to his wayes.

12 Pea surely God will not doe wickedly, neither will the Almighty peruert iudgement.

13 Who hath giuen him a charge ouer the earth: or who hath disposed the whole world:

14 * If he set his heart † vpon man, if he gather vnto himselfe his spirit and his breath;

15 * All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turne againe vnto dust.

16 If now thou hast vnderstanding, heare this: hearken to the voyce of my words.

17 Shall euen he that hateth right, † gouerne: and wilt thou condemne him that is most iust:

18 Is it fit to say to a King, Thou art wicked: and to Princes, Ye are vngodly:

19 * How much lesse to him that accepteth not the persons of Princes, nor regardeth the rich more then the poore: for they all are the worke of his hands.

20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and passe away: and † the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

21 * For his eyes are vpon the wayes of man, and he seeth all his goings.

22 There is no darkenes, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquitie may hide themselues.

23 For hee will not lay vpon man more then right; that he should † enter in to iudgement with God.

24 He shall breake in pieces mighty

men † without number, and set others in their stead.

25 Therefore hee knoweth their workes, and he ouerturneth them in the night, so that they are † destroyed.

26 He striketh them as wicked men, † in the open sight of others:

27 Because they turned backe † from him, and would not consider any of his wayes.

28 So that they cause the cry of the poore to come vnto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.

29 When he giueth quietnesse, who then can make trouble: and when hee hideth his face, who then can beholde him: whether it be done against a nation, or against a man onely:

30 That the hypocrite raigne not, lest the people be ensnared.

31 Surely it is meete to be said vnto God, I haue borne chastisement, I will not offend any more.

32 That which I see not, teach thou me; If I haue done iniquitie, I will doe no more.

33 † Should it bee according to thy minde: he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou chuse, and not I: therefore speake what thou knowest.

34 Let men † of vnderstanding tell mee, and let a wise man hearken vnto mee.

35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without wisdom.

36 || My desire is that Job may bee tried vnto the ende, because of his answers for wicked men.

37 For he addeth rebellion vnto his sinne, hee clappeth his handes amongst vs, and multiplieth his words against God.

CHAP. XXXV.

i Comparison is not to be made with God, because our good or euill cannot extend vnto him. 9 Many cry in their afflictions, but are not heard for want of faith.

Elisha spake moreouer, and said,

2 Thinkest thou this to bee right, that thou saydest, My righteousness is more then Gods:

3 For thou saydst, what aduantage will it bee vnto thee, and, what profite shall

† Heb. without searching out.

† Heb. crushed.

† Heb. in the place of beholders.
† Heb. from after him.

† Heb. Should it be from with thee?

† Heb. of heart.

|| Or, My father, let Job be tried.

|| Or, by it
more then by
my sinne.
† Heb. I wil
returne to
thee words.

shall I haue, || if I bee cleansed from my sinne:

4 † I wil answere thee, and thy companions with thee.

5 Looke vnto the heauens and see, and behold the clouds which are higher then thou.

6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him: or if thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou vnto him:

7 * If thou be righteous, what giuest thou him: or what receiveth hee of thine hand:

8 Thy wickednesse may hurt a man as thou art, and thy righteousness may profit the sonne of man.

9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to crie: they crie out by reason of the arme of the mightie.

10 But none saith, where is God my maker, who giueth songs in the night:

11 who teacheth vs more then the beasts of the earth, and maketh vs wiser then the foules of heauen.

12 There they crie, (but none giueth answer) because of the pride of euill men.

13 * Surely God wil not heare vanitie, neither wil the Almighty regard it.

14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, yet iudgement is before him, therefore trust thou in him.

15 But now because it is not so, || hee hath visited in his anger, yet || he knoweth it not in great extremitie:

16 Therefore doeth Iob open his mouth in vaine: he multiplieth words without knowledge.

CHAP. XXXVI.

1 Elihu sheweth how God is iust in his wayes.

16 How Iobs sinnes hinder Gods blessings.

24 Gods works are to be magnified.

Elihu also proceeded, and said,

2 Suffer mee a little, and I will shewe thee, † that I haue yet to speake on Gods behalfe.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afarre, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

4 For truly my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge, is with thee.

5 Behold, God is mightie, and despiseth not any: he is mightie in strength and † wisdom.

6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giueth right to the || poore.

7 * Hee Withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings are they on the throne, yea he doth establish them for euer, and they are exalted.

8 And if they bee bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of affliction:

9 Then hee sheweth them their worke, and their transgressions, that they haue exceeded.

10 He openeth also their eare to discipline, and commandeth that they returne from iniquitie.

11 If they obey and serue him, * they shall spend their dayes in prosperitie, and their yeeres in pleasures.

12 But if they obey not, † they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart heape by wrath: they crie not when he bindeth them.

14 † They die in youth, and their life is among the || vncleane.

15 He deliuereth the || poore in his affliction, and openeth their eares in oppression.

16 Euen so would he haue remooued thee out of the strait into a broad place, where there is no straitnesse, and † that which should be set on thy table, should be full of fatnesse.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the iudgement of the wicked: || iudgement and iustice take hold on thee.

18 Because there is wrath, beware lest he take thee away with his stroke: then a great ransom cannot † deliuer thee.

19 Will he esteeme thy riches: no not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquitie: for this hast thou chosen rather then affliction.

22 Beholde, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him:

23 who hath inioyned him his way: or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquitie:

24 Remember that thou magnific his worke, which men behold.

25 Every man may see it, man may behold it afarre off.

26 Behold, God is great, and we know him not, neither can the number of his yeeres be searched out.

27 For hee maketh small the drops of

* Psal. 16.2.
Rom. 11.35
Iob. 22.3.

* Iob. 27.9
prou. 1.28.
isa. 1.15. ier.
11.11.

|| That is
God.
|| That is,
Iob.

† Heb. that
there are yet
words for
God.

† Heb. heart

|| Or, affli-
cted.
* Psal. 34.
14.

* Iob 21.1

† Heb. they
shall passe a
way by the
sword.

† Heb. their
soules die.
|| Or, sub-
mit.
|| Or, affli-
cted.

† Heb. the
rest of thy
table.

|| Or, iudge-
ment and ius-
tice should
uphold thee.

† Heb. were
shee aside.

of water: they powre downe raine according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds doe drop, and distill vpon man abundantly.

29 Also can any vnderstand the spreadings of the clouds, or the noise of his tabernacle?

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light vpon it, and couereth † the bottome of the sea.

31 For by them iudgeth he the people, he giueth meate in abundance.

32 With clouds he couereth the light, and commaundeth it not to shine, by the cloud that commeth betwixt.

33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattel also concerning † the vapour.

CHAP. XXXVII.

1 God is to be feared because of his great works.

15 His wisdom is vnsearchable in them.

Also my heart trembleth, and is moued out of his place.

2 † Heare attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound that goeth out of his mouth.

3 Hee directeth it vnder the whole heaven, and his † lightning vnto the † ends of the earth.

4 After it a voyce roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellencie, and hee will not stay them when his voice is heard.

5 God thundereth maruellously with his voice: great things doth hee, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For* he saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth: † likewise to the small raine, and to the great raine of his strength.

7 He sealeth by the hand of every man; that all men may knowe his worke.

8 Then the beastes goe into dennes: and remaine in their places.

9 † Out of the South commeth the Whirlewinde: and cold out of the † North.

10 By the breath of God, frost is giuen: and the breadth of the waters is straitned.

11 Also by watring he wearieth the thicke cloud: hee scattereth † his bright cloud.

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may doe what

soeuer hee commaundeth them vpon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for † correction, or for his land, or for mercy.

14 Hearken vnto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous workes of God.

15 Doest thou knowe when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?

16 Doest thou know the ballancings of the clouds, the wondrous workes of him which is perfect in knowledge?

17 How thy garments are warme, when hee quieteth the earth by the South wind?

18 Hast thou with him spread out the skie, which is strong, and as a molten looking glasse?

19 Teach vs what we shall say vnto him; for we cannot order our speech by reason of darknes.

20 Shall it bee told him that I speake: if a man speake, surely he shalbe swallowed vp.

21 And now men see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but the wind passeth and cleanseth them.

22 † Faire weather commeth out of the North: with God is terrible maiestie.

23 Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in iudgement, and in plenty of iustice: he will not afflict.

24 Men doe therefore feare him: he respecteth not any that are wise of heart.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 God chalengeth Iob to answer. 4 God by his mighty workes, conuinceth Iob of Ignorance, 31 and of imbecillity.

When the LORD answered Iob out of the Whirlewind, and sayd,

2 who is this that darkneth counsell by words without knowledge?

3 Gird by now thy loines like a man; for I will demaund of thee, and † answer thou me.

4 * Where wast thou when I layd the foundations of the earth: declare, † if thou hast vnderstanding.

5 who hath layd the measures thereof, if thou knowest: or who hath stretched the line vpon it?

6 Whereupon are the † foundations

† Heb. arod.

† Heb. gold

† Heb. make me know.

* Psal. 104. 5. prou. 20.4.

† Heb. if thou knowest vnderstanding.

† Heb. sockets.

† Heb. made
to sinke.

ons thereof† fastened: or who layd the
corner stone thereof:

7 When the morning starres sang
together, and all the sonnes of God
shouted for ioy.

* Psal. 104. 9

8 * Or who shut vp the sea with
doores, when it brake forth as if it had
issued out of the wombe:

9 When I made the cloud the gar-
ment thereof, and thicke darknesse
a swadling band for it,

|| Or, establi-
shed my de-
cree upon it.

10 And || brake vp for it my decreed
place, and set barres and doores,

11 And said, hitherto shalt thou
come, but no further: and heere shall
† thy proud waues be stayed.

† Heb. the
pride of thy
waues.

12 Hast thou commaunded the mor-
ning since thy daies: and caused the day-
spring to know his place,

† Heb. wings.

13 That it might take hold of the
† endes of the earth, that the wicked
might be shaken out of it:

14 It is turned as clay to the seale,
and they stand as a garment.

15 And from the wicked their light
is withholden, and the high arme shall
be broken.

16 Hast thou entred into the springs
of the sea: or hast thou walked in the
search of the depth:

17 Haue the gates of death bene ope-
ned vnto thee: or hast thou seene the
doores of the shadow of death:

18 Hast thou perceiued the breadth of
the earth: Declare if thou knowest it all.

19 Where is the way where light
dwelleth: and as for darknesse, where
is the place thereof:

|| Or, at.

20 That thou shouldest take it || to the
bound thereof, and that thou shouldest
know the pathes to the house thereof.

21 Knowest thou it, because thou
wast then borne: or because the number
of thy daies is great:

22 Hast thou entred into the trea-
sures of the snowe: or hast thou seene
the treasures of the haile,

23 Which I haue reserued against
the time of trouble, against the day of
battaile and warre:

24 By what way is the light par-
ted: which scattereth the East wind vpon
the earth.

25 Who hath diuided a water-course
for the ouerflowing of waters: or a way
for the lightning of thunder,

26 To cause it to raine on the earth,
where no man is: on the wilderness
wherein there is no man:

27 To satisfie the desolate and waste
ground, and to cause the bud of the tender
herbe to spring forth.

28 Hath the raine a father: or who
hath begotten the drops of dew:

29 Out of whose wombe came the
yce: and the hoary frost of heauen, who
hath gendred it:

30 The waters are hid as with a
stone, and the face of the deepe† is frozen.

† Heb. is
taken.

31 Canst thou bind the sweete influ-
ences of || Pleiades: or loose the bands
of† Orion:

|| Or, the se-
uen starres.
† Heb. Orion.

32 Canst thou bring forth || Mazzaroth
in his season, or canst thou† guide
Arcturus with his sonnes:

† Heb. Ceph-
er.

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of
heauen: canst thou set the dominion
thereof in the earth:

34 Canst thou lift vp thy voice to the
cloudes, that abundance of waters may
couer thee:

35 Canst thou send lightnings, that
they may goe, and say vnto thee, † Here
we are:

† Heb. be-
hold us.

36 * Who hath put wisdom in the
inward parts: or who hath giuen vn-
derstanding to the heart:

* Chap. 32.
8. Eccle. 2.
26.

37 Who can number the cloudes in
wisdom: or† who can stay the bot-
tles of heauen,

† Heb. who
can stay to
lie downe.

38 || When the dust† groweth into
hardnesse, and the clods cleaue fast to-
gether:

|| Or, when
the dust is
turned into
myre.

39 * Wilt thou hunt the pray for the
lyon: or fill the† appetite of the young
lyons,

† Heb. is
poured.

40 When they couch in their dennes,
and abide in the couert to lie in waite:

* Psal. 104.
21. |
† Heb. the
life.

41 * Who prouideth for the rauen
his foode: when his young ones cry vn-
to God, they wander for lacke of meate.

* Psal. 147.
9. Math. 6.
26.

C H A P. XXXIX.

1 Of the wild goates and hinds. 5 Of the
wild Asse. 9 The Vnicorne. 13 The Peacock,
Storke and Ostrich. 19 The horse. 26 The
hauke. 27 The Eagle.

Knowest thou the time
when the wild goates of
the rocke bring forth: or
canst thou marke when
the hinds doe calue:

* Psal. 29. 8

2 Canst thou number the moneths
that they fulfill: or knowest thou the
time when they bring forth:

3 They bowe themselves, they bring
forth their young ones, they cast out
their sorrowes.

4 Their

4 Their yong ones are in good liking, they grow vp with corne: they go forth, and retorne not vnto them.

5 Who hath sent out the wild asse free: or who hath loosed the bands of the wild asse?

6 Whose house I haue made the wilderness, and the barren lande his dwelling.

7 He scorneth the multitude of the citie, neither regardeth he the crying of the druer.

8 The range of the mountaines is his pasture, and hee searcheth after euery greene thing.

9 Wilt the Unicorne be willing to serue thee: or abide by thy cribbe?

10 Canst thou binde the Unicorne with his band in the furrow: or will he harrow the valleyes after thee?

11 Wilt thou trust him because his strength is great: or wilt thou leaue thy labour to him?

12 Wilt thou beleue him that hee will bring home thy seed: and gather it into thy barne?

13 Gauest thou the goodly wings vnto the peacocks, or wings and feathers vnto the Ostrich?

14 Which leaueth her egges in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wilde beast may breake them.

16 She is hardened against her yong ones, as though they were not hers: her labour is in vaine without feare.

17 Because God hath depriued her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her vnderstanding.

18 What time she lifteth vp her selfe on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou giuen the horse strength: hast thou clothed his necke with thunder?

20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper: the glory of his nostrils is terrible.

21 He paweth in the valley, and reioyceth in his strength: hee goeth on to meet the armed men.

22 He mocketh at feare, and is not affrighted: neither turneth he backe from the sword.

23 The quier ratleth against him, the glittering speare and the shield.

24 He swalloweth the ground with fiercenesse and rage: neither beleueth

he that it is the sound of the trumpet.

25 Hee saith among the trumpets, ha, ha: and he smelleth the battaile a farre off, the thunder of the captaines, and the shouting.

26 Doeth the hawke flie by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the South?

27 Doeth the Eagle mount vp at thy commaund: and make her nest on high?

28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rocke, vpon the cragge of the rocke, and the strong place.

29 From thence she seeketh the pray, and her eyes behold a farre off.

30 Her yong ones also suck vp blood: and where the slaine are, there is he.

CHAP. XL.

1 Iob humbleth himselfe to God. 6 God stirreth him vp to shew his righteousness, power, and wisdom. 15 Of the Behemoth.

Moreouer the LORD answered Iob, and said, 2 Shall hee that contendeth with the Almighty, instruct him? he that reprooueth God, let him answere it.

3 Then Iob answered the LORD, and said,

4 Behold, I am vile, what shall I answere thee: I wil lay my hand vpon my mouth.

5 Once haue I spoken, but I will not answere: yea I will, but I will proceed no further.

6 Then answered the LORD vnto Iob out of the whirlewinde, and said:

7 *Gird vp thy loynes now like a man: I will deniaund of thee, and declare thou vnto me.

8 *Wilt thou also disanul my iudgement: wilt thou condemne mee, that thou mayest be righteous?

9 Hast thou an arme like God: or canst thou thunder with a voyce like him?

10 *Decke thy selfe now with Majesty, and excellencie, and aray thy selfe with glory, and beautie.

11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold euery one that is proud, and abase him.

12 Looke on euery one that is proud, and bring him low: and tread downe the wicked in their place.

† Hebr. by thy mouth.

* Matt. 24. 28. luke 17. 37.

* Chap. 38. 3.

* Psal. 50. 21. rom. 3. 4.

* Psal. 104. 1.

13 Hide them in the dust together,
and binde their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confesse vnto
thee, that thine owne right hand can
saue thee.

|| Or, the E-
lephant, as
some thinke.

15 Beholde now || Behemoth
which I made with thee, hee eateth
grasse as an ore.

16 Loe now, his strength is in his
loynes, and his force is in the nauell of
his belly.

|| Or, he set-
teth up.

17 Hee moueth his taile like a Ce-
dar: the sinewes of his stones are wrapt
together.

18 His bones are as strong pieces of
brasse: his bones are like barres of iron.

19 Hee is the chiefe of the wayes of
God: he that made him, can make his
sword to approach vnto him.

20 Surely the mountaines bring
him forth foode: where all the beasts
of the field play.

21 He lieth vnder the shady trees, in
the couert of the reede, and fennes.

22 The shady trees couer him with
their shaddow: the willowes of the
brooke compasse him about.

† Heb. he op-
presseth.

|| Or, will a-
ny take him
in his sight?
or bore his
nose with a
gimie?

23 Behold, † he drinketh vp a riuer,
and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can
draw vp Jordan into his mouth.

24 He taketh it with his eyes: his
nose pearceth through snares.

CHAP. XLI.

Of Gods great power in the Leuiathan.

|| That is, a
whale or a
whirlpoole.

† Heb. which
thou drow-
nest.

Canst thou draw out || Le-
uiathan with an hooke: or
his tongue with a corde

† which thou lettest downe:

2 Canst thou put an
hook into his nose: or bore his iawe
through with a thorne:

3 Will he make many supplications
vnto thee: Will he speake soft words vn-
to thee:

4 Will he make a couenant with
thee: Wilt thou take him for a seruant
for euer:

5 Wilt thou play with him as with
a birde: Wilt thou binde him for thy
maydens:

6 Shall the companions make a
banquet of him: Shall they part him a-
mong the merchants:

7 Canst thou fill his skinne with
barbed irons: or his head with fish-
speares:

8 Lay thine hand vpon him, re-

member the battell: doe no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in
vaine: shall not one be cast downe euen
at the sight of him:

10 None is so fierce that dare stirre
him vp: who then is able to stand be-
fore me:

11 * Who hath preuented me that I
should repay him: what soeuer is vnder the
whole heauen, is mine.

* Psal. 24. 1.
& 50. 12.
1. cor. 10. 26

12 I will not conceale his parts, nor
his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discouer the face of his
garment: or who can come to him, || With
his double bridle:

|| Or, with in.

14 Who can open the doores of his
face: his teeth are terrible round about.

15 His † scales are his pride, shut vp to-
gether as with a close seale.

† Heb. strong
pieces of
shields.

16 One is so neere to another, that
no ayre can come betweene them.

17 They are ioyned one to another,
they sticke together, that they cannot be
sundred.

18 By his neefings a light doth shine,
and his eyes are like the eye-liddes of
the morning.

19 Out of his mouth goe burning
lampes, and sparkes of fire leape out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke,
as out of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His breath kindleth coales, and a
flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his necke remaineth strength,
and † sorrow is turned into ioy before
him.

† Heb. sorrow
reioyseth.

23 † The flakes of his flesh are ioy-
ned together: they are firme in them-
selues, they cannot be moued.

† Heb. he
falling.

24 His heart is as firme as a stone,
yea as hard as a peece of the nether
mil-stone.

25 When he rayseth vp himselfe, the
mightie are afraid: by reason of brea-
kings they purifie themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at
him cannot hold: the speare, the dart,
nor the † habergeon.

|| Or, brist-
plate.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and
brasse as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him
flee: sling stones are turned with him
into stubble.

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he
laugheth at the shaking of a speare.

30 † Sharpe stones are vnder him:
he spreadeth sharpe pointed things vp-
on the mire.

† Heb. sharpe
pieces, of the
potsherd.

31 He maketh the deepe to boyle like
a pot:

a pot: hee maketh the sea like a pot of oyntment.

32 Hee maketh a path to shine after him: one would thinke the deepe to bee hoarie.

33 Upon earth there is not his like: who is made without feare.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king ouer all the children of pride.

CHAP. XLII.

1 Iob submitteth himselfe vnto God. 7 God preferring Iob's cause, maketh his friends submit themselves, & accepteth him. 10 He magnifieth & blesteth Iob. 16 Iob's age & death.

When Iob answered the LORD, and said,

2 I know that thou canst doe euery thing, and that || no thought can bee withholden from thee.

3 * Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge: therefore haue I uttered that I vnderstood not, things too wonderfull for me, which I knew not.

4 Heare, I beseech thee, and I will speake: I will demand of thee, and declare thou vnto me.

5 I haue heard of thee by the hearing of the eare: but now mine eye seeth thee.

6 Wherefore I abhorre my selfe, and repent in dust and ashes.

7 And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words vnto Iob, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, & against thy two friends: for ye haue not spoken of mee the thing that is right, as my seruant Iob hath.

8 Therefore take vnto you now seuen bullocks, and seuen rammes, and goe to my seruant Iob, and offer vp for your selues a burnt offering, and my ser-

uant Iob shal pray for you, for I thinke wil I accept: lest I deale with you after your folly, in that ye haue not spoken of mee the thing which is right, like my seruant Iob.

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Iob.

10 And the LORD turned the captiuitie of Iob, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gaue Iob twice as much as he had before.

11 Then came there vnto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had bin of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him ouer all the euill that the LORD had brought vpon him: euery man also gaue him a piece of money, and euery one an eare-ring of gold.

12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Iob, more then his beginning: for he had fourteene thousand sheepe, and sixe thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand shee asses.

13 He had also seuen sonnes, and three daughters.

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima, and the name of the second, Kezia, and the name of the third, Kezen-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found so faire as the daughters of Iob: and their father gaue them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this liued Iob an hundred and fourtie yeeres, and saw his sonnes, and his sonnes sonnes, euen foure generations.

17 So Iob died being old, and full of dayes.

† Heb. his face or person.

† Heb. the face of Iob.

† Heb. added to Iob vnto the double.